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OF THE

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OF THE

# Synod of New Jersey

HELD IN THE

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WITH AN APPENDIX.

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# OFFICERS OF THE SYNOD.

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MODERATOR,

REV. ROBT. HAMILL NASSAU, D.D., OGOWE RIVER, W. AFRICA.

VICE-MODERATOR,

REV. HENRY F. HICKOK, D D., - - - ORANGE, N. J.

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## SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

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### SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

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The Synod of New Jersey met at Belvidere, in the First Tuesday, Oct. Church, on Tuesday, October 18th, 1892, at 3 o'clock P.M. 18, 1892, 3 P.M.

After devotional services, the Synod listened to a sermon Sermon. by Rev. Charles D. Shaw, D.D., the Moderator of the Synod, from Matthew 13: 52.

After the sermon, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Lord's Supper. was administered. In this service the Moderator was assisted by Rev. Henry F. Hickok, D.D., and Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, and by the following Elders: Ira Otterson, J. E. Marsh, James Gardner, Cornelius Shepherd, David R. Hull, Thomas W. Synott, George Cook, Palmer Campbell.

The Synod was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Constituted.

The roll was called, and the following members were Roll of Synod. found present :

#### Presbytery of Corisco.

##### MINISTER.

ROBERT HAMILL NASSAU, D.D.

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#### Presbytery of Elizabeth.

##### MINISTERS.

JOHN C. RANKIN, D.D.,  
 JOS. M. McNULTY, D.D.,  
 EZRA F. MUNDY,  
 JOHN A. LIGGETT, D.D.,  
 JAMES G. MASON, D.D.,  
 JOHN W. TEAL, D.D.,  
 CHARLES S. CONVERSE,

JOS. G. WILLIAMSON (2),  
 EVER'D KEMPSHALL, D.D.(2),  
 J. GARLAND HAMNER, D.D.,  
 WM. E. HONEYMAN (2),  
 JAMES M NOURSE,  
 SAMUEL PARRY,  
 ABRAM I. MARTINE,

WM. R. RICHARDS, D.D. (2),	EBEN B. COBB,
SAMUEL J. ROWLAND,	GEORGE H. PAYSON,
WM. A. ALEXANDER,	GEORGE BUCKLE,
GEORGE F. GREENE,	WM. HOPPAUGH.
GEO. KENNEDY NEWELL,	Total, 23.

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RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
HENRY RACE, M.D. (2), . . . . .	Bethlehem.
J. W. SPANGENBERG, . . . . .	Clinton.
J. A. BURNETT, . . . . .	Connecticut Farms.
SAMUEL BRUSH, . . . . .	Cranford.
J. E. MARSH, . . . . .	Elizabeth, First.
CHARLES ROMMEL, . . . . .	Elizabeth, Second.
R. S. T. CISSEL, . . . . .	Elizabeth, Westminster.
ELIAS D. SMITH, . . . . .	Elizabeth, Marshall Street.
WM. C. LANE, . . . . .	Lamington.
ROBERT MCDUGALL, . . . . .	Metuchen.
L. N. LOVELL (2), . . . . .	Plainfield, Crescent Ave.
R. M. HUNTTING, . . . . .	Rahway, Second.
THOS. R. WHITE, . . . . .	Roselle.
GEORGE W. CROSS, . . . . .	Westfield.
THOMAS W. MORRIS, . . . . .	Woodbridge.
	Total, 15.

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Presbytery of Jersey City.

MINISTERS.

EDWIN A. BULKLEY, D.D.,	CHAS. D. SHAW, D.D.,
J. THOMPSON OSLER,	ISRAEL W. HATHAWAY, D.D.,
JOSHUA B. GALLAWAY (2),	HENRY T. BEATTY,
THOMAS HOUSTON,	ROBERT H. SHARPE.
	Total, 8.

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RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
PALMER CAMPBELL, . . . . .	Hoboken, First.
J. H. HALSEY, . . . . .	Jersey City, First.
	Total, 2.

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Presbytery of Monmouth.

MINISTERS.

ALFRED H. DASHIELL, D.D.,	EDWARD B. HODGE, D.D.,
BENJ. S. EVERITT,	GEORGE SWAIN, D.D.,
HENRY R. HALL,	SAMUEL W. KNIPE,

THOMAS TYACK,	OLIVER A. KERR,
J. BEATTY HOWELL,	W. L. CUNNINGHAM, D.D.,
CHARLES EVERETT,	FRANK R. SYMMES,
WILLIAM P. FINNEY,	GEORGE T. EDDY.
WILLIAM McNICHOL,	Total, 15.

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### RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
SAMUEL T. WOOLLEY, . . . . .	Allentown.
S. W. HENDRICKSON, . . . . .	Asbury Park, Westminster.
D. G. PERRINE, . . . . .	Cranbury, First.
D. C. LEWIS, . . . . .	Cranbury, Second.
THOMAS CAMPBELL, . . . . .	Englishtown.
CHARLES E. HALL, M.D., . . . . .	Freehold.
SERING SHANGLE, . . . . .	Hightstown.
IRA OTTERSON, . . . . .	Jamesburg.
ELI BEARD, . . . . .	Lakewood.
JAMES STEEN, . . . . .	Shrewsbury.
G. S. REID, . . . . .	Tennent.
	Total, 11.

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### Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

#### MINISTERS.

ROBERT AIKMAN, D.D.,	HENRY M. STORRS, D.D.,
THEO F. WHITE, D.D.,	O. H. PERRY DEYO,
HENRY A. HARLOW,	HENRY F. HICKOK, D.D.,
BAKER SMITH,	ALBERT ERDMAN, D.D.,
JOHN R. FISHER,	W.W. HALLOWAY, JR., D.D.,
HUGH SMYTHE,	GEORGE P. NOBLE,
JAMES A. FERGUSON,	THEO. F. CHAMBERS,
WM. F. WHITAKER,	EDWIN R. MURGATROYD,
STANLEY WHITE,	SAMUEL J. McCLENAGHAN.
	Total, 18.

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### RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
WM. BARTLEY, . . . . .	Flanders.
GEORGE COOK, . . . . .	Hanover.
AARON CARTER, JR., . . . . .	Hillside.
THEO. M. PECK, . . . . .	Madison.
STEPHEN BABBITT, . . . . .	Mendham, First.
GEORGE B. MARSH, . . . . .	Mendham, Second.
GEORGE H. KENNEDY, . . . . .	Morristown, South St.
DANIEL L. MORRIS, . . . . .	New Vernon.
EDWARD H. WILLIAMS, . . . . .	Orange, First.

MALCOLM B. COLE, . . . . .	East Orange, Brick.
HENRY B. AUCHINCLOSS, . . . . .	Orange, Central.
THOMAS Y. WARD, . . . . .	Schooley's Mountain.
J. V. P. SCHENCK (2), . . . . .	South Orange.
THOMAS P. MILLIGAN, . . . . .	South Orange, Trinity.
HENRY E. SIMMONS, . . . . .	Summit.
Total, 15.	

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**Presbytery of Newark.**

**MINISTERS.**

CHARLES T. HALEY, D.D.,	H. W. BALLANTINE, D.D.,
CHARLES E. KNON, D.D.,	ALEX. H. YOUNG, D.D.,
DAVID R. FRAZER, D.D.,	LEWIS LAMPMAN,
DAVIS W. LUSK,	HUGH B. MACCAULEY,
D. CHARLES PREYER,	E. O. MCFARLAND,
FORD C. OTTMAN,	J. GARLAND HAMNER, JR.,
FREDERICK N. RUTAN,	STUART MCA. CAMPBELL.
Total, 14.	

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**RULING ELDERS.**

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
JAMES P. JONES, . . . . .	Bloomfield.
J. P. DUSENBERRY, . . . . .	Newark, First.
WM. E. TAYLOR, . . . . .	Newark, Second.
S. A. FARRAND, PH.D., . . . . .	Newark, High St.
A. H. HAZELTINE, . . . . .	Newark, Memorial.
CYRUS PECK, . . . . .	Newark, Roseville.
JAMES GARDNER, . . . . .	Newark, Wickliffe.
W. C. JOHNSON (2), . . . . .	Newark, Fifth Ave.
Total, 8.	

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**Presbytery of New Brunswick.**

**MINISTERS.**

ABRAHAM GOSMAN, D.D.,	GEORGE S. MOTT, D.D.,
SAMUEL M. STUDDIFORD, D.D.,	JOHN B. KUGLER,
CHARLES P. GLOVER,	WILLIAM SWAN,
THOMAS S. LONG,	JOHN DIXON, D.D.,
LEWIS W. MUDGE, D.D.,	TITUS E. DAVIS,
WALTER A. BROOKS,	GEO. W. S. WENRICK,
JOSEPH H. DULLES,	GEO. H. INGRAM,
HORACE D. SASSAMAN,	D. RUBY WARNE,
DAVID WILLS, JR.,	D. STUART MOORE,
JAMES R. KERR,	FRANK B. EVERITT.
SAMUEL A. HARLOW,	Total, 21.

## RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
J. P. CHAMBERLAIN, . . . . .	Amwell, First.
EDWARD P. HOLCOMBE (2), . . . . .	Amwell, Second.
A. S. CORIELL (2), . . . . .	Bound Brook.
JOHN D. RUE, . . . . .	Dutch Neck.
JACOB MAPLE, . . . . .	Ewing.
AUGUSTUS DILTS, . . . . .	Flemington.
WM. H. HUGHES, . . . . .	Hamilton Square.
EDWARD STOUT, . . . . .	Kingston.
CHARLES A. SKILLMAN, . . . . .	Lambertville.
S. S. LINDLEY, . . . . .	New Brunswick, First.
W. H. MUIRHEAD, . . . . .	Pennington.
J. B. VAN DOREN, . . . . .	Princeton, First.
DAVID LAWSHE (2), . . . . .	Stockton.
S. J. BREWER, . . . . .	Titusville.
WM. J. OWENS, . . . . .	Trenton, First.
CORNELIUS SHEPHERD, M.D., . . . . .	Trenton, Third.
A. A. VAN HISE, . . . . .	Trenton, Fifth.
JOHN A. CAMPBELL (2), . . . . .	Trenton, Prospect Street.
Total, 18.	

## Presbytery of Newton.

EPHRAIM SIMANTON,	F. R. S. HUNSICKER, D.D.,
CHARLES D. NOTT, D.D.,	ROBERT J. BURTT (2),
WILLIAM THOMSON,	JOHN P. CLARKE,
E. CLARKE CLINE,	CHAS. E. VAN ALLEN,
HENRY S. BUTLER, D.D.,	S. NYE HUTCHISON,
JOHN B. EDMONDSON,	JOHN C. CLYDE, D D.,
JAS. DEHART BRUEN,	ISAAC H. CONDIT,
ROBERT A. BRYANT,	ALBERT L. KELLY,
A. MCS. HIGGINS,	IRVING MAXWELL,
E. WINSLOW BROWN,	GEO. H. S. CAMPBELL,
WM. HOLLINSHED,	PHILIP P REESE,
SAMUEL CARLILE, D.D.,	I. DAVISON DECKER.
Total, 24.	

## RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
EPHRAIM WALTERS, . . . . .	Beattystown.
AARON MCCANNON, . . . . .	Belvidere, First.
WM. H. MORROW, . . . . .	Belvidere, Second.
J. C. JOHNSON, M D., . . . . .	Blairstown.
A. G. CREVELING, . . . . .	Bloomsbury.

P. S. HAWK, . . . . .	Greenwich.
W. G. SUTPHIN (2), . . . . .	Hackettstown.
THOMAS DEWITT, . . . . .	Harmony.
A. W. COOK, . . . . .	Marksboro.
DAVID R. HULL, . . . . .	Newton.
THOMAS M. BOYER, . . . . .	Oxford, First.
CHARLES CREVELING, . . . . .	Oxford, Second.
A. P. KINNEY, . . . . .	Stewartsville.
WM. G. DUFFORD, . . . . .	Washington.
ISAAC P. CARPENTER (2), . . . . .	Phillipsburg, West'r.
Total, 15.	

Presbytery of West Jersey.

MINISTERS.

JOHN EWING, D D.,	WILLIAM BANNARD, D.D.,
WILLIAM AIKMAN, D D.,	HENRY REEVES, Ph D.,
ALFRED P. BOTSFORD,	ALFRED J. SNYDER,
FREDERIC R. BRACE, Ph.D.,	BENJ P. JOHNSON,
GEORGE W. TOMSON,	WILLIAM J. BRIDGES,
WILLIAM BOYD,	HARRY L. JANEWAY,
CLEARFIELD PARK (2),	WILLIAM V. LOUDERBOUGH.
SYLVESTER W. BEACH,	
Total, 15.	

RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
THOMAS IRWIN, . . . . .	Atlantic City.
R. B. STEVENSON, . . . . .	Blackwood.
P. KENNEDY REEVES, . . . . .	Bridgeton, First.
PHŒBUS W. LYON, . . . . .	Bridgeton, West.
C. M. WILLIAMS, . . . . .	Camden, First.
ROBERT PEACOCK, . . . . .	Deerfield.
WILLIAM ELMER, . . . . .	Salem.
THEO F. WURTS, . . . . .	Bridgeton, Fourth.
THOMAS W. SYNOTT, . . . . .	Wenonah.
Total, 9.	

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

REV. WM. C. ROBERTS, D.D.,	Synod of Illinois.
REV. DAVID J. BURRELL, D.D,	Particular Synod of New York (Reformed Church).
REV. ELIJAH R. CRAVEN, D.D.,	Synod of Pennsylvania.
REV. DANIEL W. POOR, D D.,	Synod of Pennsylvania.

REV. WM. A. RICE, D.D., Synod of New York

REV. FRANK F. ELLINWOOD, D D., Synod of New York.

REV. A. W. RAVEN, Central Association of New York Congregational Churches.

REV. WM. R. KEIFER, Newark M. E. Conference.

REV. W. W. MOFFETT, New Jersey M. E. Conference.

Total, 9.

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SUMMARY.

MINISTERS, . . . . .	139
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Rev. Robert Hamill Nassau, D.D., of the Presbytery of Moderator.  
Corisco, was elected Moderator.

The Committee of Arrangements presented the following Arrangements.  
report, recommending :

*First.* That the sessions of Synod begin at 9 A. M ; that recess be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 P. M., and from 5 to 7:30 P. M. ; that the last half hour of the morning session be spent in devotional exercises and in the presentation of the Necrological Report.

*Second.* That the evening session of Tuesday be devoted to popular addresses ; upon the subject of Temperance by Rev. David J. Burrell, D D., of the Particular Synod (Reformed) of New York, and upon the subject of Home Missions, by Rev. William C. Roberts, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Home Missions.

*Third.* That during the last two hours of the afternoon session on Wednesday, opportunity be given to Rev. William W. Moffett to present the work of the American Bible Society, and to such representatives of the Boards of the Presbyterian Church as may appear in Synod to present the work of the various Boards ; that the evening of Wednesday be given to a meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions, the Moderator to preside, and addresses to be made by Rev. C. A. Rodney Janvier, of the Synod of India. and Rev. Frank F. Ellinwood, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions ; and that at 9:30 A.M., on Thursday, fifteen minutes be given to Rev. Edward C. Ray, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Aid for Colleges, to present the work of this Board.

*Fourth.* That the report of the Committee on Synodical Home-Missions be the second order for Wednesday morning.



The report was accepted, and the several recommendations were adopted.

The Synod took a recess until 7:30 P. M.

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TUESDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Addresses.

The Synod re-assembled and engaged in devotional exercises, and listened to an address by Rev. David J. Burrell, D.D., upon Temperance, and to an address by Rev. William C. Roberts, D.D., upon Home Missions

Vice-Moderator.  
Standing Committees.

The Moderator announced Rev. Henry F. Hickok, D.D., as Vice-Moderator, and the Standing Committees as follows :

#### I—BILLS AND OVERTURES.

REV. CHARLES D. SHAW, D.D.,  
REV. EDWARD B. HODGE, D.D.,  
REV. WILLIAM W. HALLOWAY, JR., D.D.,  
REV. HUGH B. MACCAULEY,  
ELDER CHARLES A. SKILLMAN,  
ELDER DAVID R. HULL,  
ELDER PHŒBUS W. LYON.

#### II—JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.

REV. JAMES G. MASON, D.D.,  
REV. E. CLARKE CLINE,  
REV. DAVID WILLS, JR.,  
REV. GEORGE T. EDDY,  
ELDER MALCOLM B. COLE,  
ELDER S. A. FARRAND, Ph. D.,  
ELDER CARLTON M. WILLIAMS.

#### III—MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

REV. THOMAS TYACK,  
REV. HORACE D. SASSAMAN,  
ELDER ADDISON H. HAZELTINE.

#### IV.—NARRATIVE FOR 1893.

REV. FORD C. OTTMAN,  
REV. GEORGE F. GREENE,  
ELDER HENRY B. AUCHINCLOSS.



## V.—FINANCE COMMITTEE.

ELDER JAMES P. DUSENBERRY,  
 ELDER ROBERT M. HUNTING,  
 REV. GEORGE W. TOMSON,  
 REV. JOHN C. CLYDE, D.D.

## VI.—RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.

**Corisco**—Rev. Samuel Parry, Rev. J. Thompson Osler, Elder James Steen.

**Elizabeth**—Rev. James A. Ferguson, Rev. Lewis Lampman, Elder S. S. Lindley.

**Jersey City**—Rev. William Thomson, Rev. Henry Reeves, Ph D., Elder Ira Otterson.

**Monmouth**—Rev. Hugh Smythe, Rev. Titus E. Davis, Elder William E. Taylor.

**Morris and Orange**—Rev. John W. Teal, D.D., Rev. D. Stuart Moore, Elder Thomas M. Boyer.

**Newark**—Rev. William J. Bridges, Rev. Ezra F. Mundy, Elder Palmer Campbell.

**New Brunswick**—Rev. George Swain, D.D., Rev. Stanley White, Elder James Gardner.

**Newton**—Rev. Frank B. Everitt, Rev. Harry L. Janeway, Elder Charles Rommel.

**West Jersey**—Rev. Robert A. Bryant, Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D., Elder John D. Rue.

Sundry papers in the hands of the Stated Clerk were referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures. Papers referred.

The report of the Treasurer was presented and accepted, and referred to the Finance Committee. Treasurer's report

It was made the first order for Wednesday afternoon to hear the report of the Special Committee on the Instability of the Pastorate; the second order, to hear the report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions; the third order, to hear an address by Rev. Daniel W. Poor, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Education. Arrangements.

The report of the Permanent Committee upon Work among Foreign Populations was made the third order for Wednesday morning.

The Synod adjourned to meet on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

The session closed with prayer.

WEDNESDAY, October 19th.

- Wednesday, Oct. 19, 1892, 9 A.M. The Synod met at 9 o'clock A.M., pursuant to adjournment, and prayer was offered by the Moderator.
- Minutes The minutes of Tuesday's sessions were read, and the record was approved.
- Report of Stated Clerk. The report of the Stated Clerk was presented, and the acts and expenditures of the Stated Clerk as reported were approved.
- Bills and Overtures. The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported, recommending (1) that the fifteenth annual report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions, with the minutes of the annual meeting, be referred to the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions; (2) that the fifteenth annual report of the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions, with the minutes of the annual meeting, be referred to the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions; (3) that a Paper from the Presbyterian Woman's Temperance Association be referred to the Permanent Committee on Temperance; (4) that an overture from the Presbytery of Monmouth, asking Synod to consider the advisability of renewing the Simultaneous Meetings for Foreign Missions, be referred to the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions.
- These recommendations were adopted.
- Long Branch church property. The same Committee recommended that the request of the First Church of Long Branch, in reference to a transfer of church property, be granted. This recommendation was referred back for amendment by the Committee.
- Systematic Beneficence. The report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence was presented, and referred back for verbal amendment.
- Synodical Home Missions. The report of the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions was presented and accepted, and its recommendations were adopted, as follows :

1. That Synod ask Elmer Ewing Green, Esq., to accept its heartiest thanks for his services as Treasurer of this fund, and invite him to serve another year.
2. That Synod continue the rate per member adopted last year, and ask the Presbyteries to contribute as follows :

Presbytery of Elizabeth, . . . . .	\$2,573 40
Presbytery of Jersey City, . . . . .	1,529 50
Presbytery of Monmouth, . . . . .	1,193 80
Presbytery of Morris and Orange, . . . . .	2,670 30
Presbytery of Newark, . . . . .	2,772 63
Presbytery of New Brunswick, . . . . .	2,263 68
Presbytery of Newton, . . . . .	1,171 40
Presbytery of West Jersey, . . . . .	1,275 20
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	\$15,449 91

3. That allotments be made to Presbyteries as follows :

Presbytery of Elizabeth, . . . . .	\$300 00
Presbytery of Jersey City, . . . . .	2,500 00
Presbytery of Monmouth, . . . . .	4,000 00
Presbytery of Morris and Orange, . . . . .	1,650 00
Presbytery of Newark, . . . . .	1,600 00
Presbytery of New Brunswick, . . . . .	838 00
Presbytery of Newton, . . . . .	800 00
Presbytery of West Jersey, . . . . .	4,000 00
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	\$15,688 00

The report of the Treasurer was presented, and this and the vouchers were referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The same Committee recommended :

1. That the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions be instructed to pay to the Presbytery of Monmouth the sum of forty-eight dollars, for services rendered under direction of the Presbytery before the close of the last fiscal year, but for which the Presbytery could not send certificate to the Treasurer until its meeting held after the close of the year.

2. That the Treasurer be instructed to pay the necessary expenses of the individual members of the Committee for stationery and postage.

These recommendations were adopted.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Work among Foreign Populations was presented. The discussion of the recommendations contained therein was made the order for the afternoon session after the addresses upon the Boards.

The Necrological report was presented, and ordered printed in the Minutes. The Chairman, Rev. Henry S. Butler, D.D., asked to be relieved from further service

upon the Committee on Necrology, because of other duties assigned to him for the Synod. The request was granted.

The Synod then engaged in prayer.

The Synod took a recess until 2:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 2:30 P. M.

The Synod re-assembled and proceeded to business.

Systematic  
Beneficence. The Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence presented its report as amended, and the report was accepted, approved and ordered printed in the Minutes.

Synodical Home  
Missions. The Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions recommended that two hundred dollars be added to the appropriation for the Presbytery of West Jersey, and that the same sum be added to the appropriation for the Presbytery of Jersey City. The recommendation was adopted.

Bills and Over-  
tures. The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented its amended recommendation concerning the request from the First Church of Long Branch, as follows :

Long Branch  
property. *Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Synod be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to sell, dispose of and convey the property known as the Seaside Chapel, at Long Branch, New Jersey, in such manner and for such considerations as in their judgment may seem proper.

*Resolved*, That the proceeds of such sale or other disposition of the property be given to the First Presbyterian Church of Long Branch, New Jersey, for the purpose of the erection and furnishing of a new and permanent house of worship at that place, under such restrictions as the Trustees of the Synod may see proper to impose.

These resolutions were adopted.

Place of next  
meeting. The Moderator announced as a Committee on the Place of Next Meeting, Rev. George Swain, D.D., Rev. Ezra F. Mundy, Elder William J. Owens.

Instability of the  
Pastorate. The report of the Special Committee on the Instability of the Pastorate was presented by Rev. Charles D. Nott, D.D., and the consideration of the report was placed upon the docket for Thursday morning.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions<sup>Foreign Missions.</sup> was presented. The several recommendations of the report were laid on the table for the present.

Rev. Daniel W. Poor, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Education and Foreign Populations<sup>Education and Foreign Populations.</sup>, addressed the Synod upon the work of the Board as related to Foreign Populations.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance was made the first order for Wednesday evening.

Rev. William W. Moffett was heard in behalf of the American Bible Society<sup>American Bible Society.</sup>, and the following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved*, That this Synod recognizes the excellence and efficiency of the work of Rev. William W. Moffett, District Secretary of the American Bible Society, and is glad to have him invited into our pulpits for the presentation of the Bible cause. The Synod also urges increasing liberality toward this cause on the part of our churches.

Rev. Elijah R. Craven, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work<sup>Publication and Sabbath-school Work.</sup>, addressed the Synod upon the work of the Board.

An invitation was extended to the Synod to visit the Blairstown Academy.

The consideration of the report presented by the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions<sup>Arrangements.</sup> was made the second order for Thursday morning.

It was ordered that the report of the Special Committee on the Endowment of the German Theological Seminary be made in connection with the consideration of the report on Work among Foreign Populations, on Thursday morning.

The Synod took a recess until 7:30 P.M.

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WEDNESDAY, 7:30 P.M.

The Synod re-assembled, and engaged in devotional exercises.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance<sup>Sabbath Observance.</sup> was presented, and the recommendations were placed upon the docket.

Addresses.

Addresses upon Foreign Missions were delivered by Rev. Frank F. Ellinwood, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, and Rev. C. A. Rodney Janvier, of the Synod of India.

The Synod adjourned to meet on Thursday, at 9 o'clock A.M.

The session closed with prayer.

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THURSDAY, October 20th.

Thursday, Oct.  
20, 9 A.M.

The Synod met at 9 o'clock A.M., pursuant to adjournment, and prayer was offered by the Moderator.

Minutes.

The minutes of Wednesday's sessions were read, and the record was approved.

It was made the order for 12 o'clock M., to hear the Narrative, to be followed by an address by the Moderator.

Foreign Popula-  
tions.

The recommendations contained in the report of the Permanent Committee on Work among Foreign Populations were considered and adopted; as follows:

1. That the Synod earnestly calls the attention of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to the foreign populations within our bounds, and requests that in their wisdom and zeal they devise ways and means for evangelizing these "exceptional populations," as far as it lies in their power.

2. That the Presbyteries within whose bounds "exceptional populations," such as Italians, Russians, Jews and others, are found, make special, and if practicable, some organized effort to reach these people, either by the distribution of Bibles and tracts through their respective County Bible Societies, or by the appointment of an Evangelistic Committee, to whose oversight shall be given such effort, or through the Standing Committee on Home Missions of the respective Presbyteries.

3. That Synod instruct its Committee on Synodical Home Missions to consider the feasibility of making special appropriations for missionary work among foreign populations, to such Presbyteries as have begun or shall inaugurate a systematic effort in this direction.

4. That Synod heartily commends the action of the Presbyteries of Newark, Jersey City and West Jersey in their efforts to bring the gospel to their foreign peoples.



A brief report was made by the Special Committee upon the endowment of the German Theological Seminary. The Committee was continued, and Rev. William Boyd was elected a member of the Committee in place of Rev. Wellington E. Loucks. The Committee consists of the following members: Rev. John A. Liggett, D.D., Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D., Rev. Joseph S. Van Dyke, D.D., Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., Rev. William F. Junkin, D.D., Rev. John Dixon, D.D., Rev. J. De Hart Bruen, Rev. William Boyd.

Endowment of  
German Semi-  
nary.

The Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, to which were referred reports from the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions, made the following report:

Woman's Home  
Missions.

The fifteenth annual report of the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey and the report of their fifteenth annual meeting, held on the 13th instant, have been put into the hands of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions and have been carefully considered. Your Committee recognize with great pleasure the energy and efficiency with which the work of the Woman's Synodical Home Missionary Society has been performed, as is evidenced by the fact that the Society has raised during the past year over \$37,000, and we especially commend the systematic methods so successfully operated by the Society. We recommend that Synod express to the Woman's Synodical Home Missionary Society its appreciation of the work done by them and its desire for the blessing of God on their labors in the future.

This was approved, and the Stated Clerk was authorized to print seventy-five copies of the Society's annual report for the use of the Society.

The resolutions contained in the report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions were considered, and were adopted after amendment. They are as follows:

Foreign Mis-  
sions.

1. That Presbyterial Committees be requested to continue their efforts to secure the appointment, by each Session, of some one who, as a Special Committee on Foreign Missions, shall be their correspondent and co-laborer in his own field, thus organizing the work on Presbyterial lines.

2. That in order to intelligent coöperation on the part of churches and members, we reiterate the importance (a) of the

more general circulation of missionary intelligence; (*b*) of the stated observance of the monthly concert of prayer for missions; (*c*) of unifying, as much as possible, the efforts of churches, women's societies and bands that the light gained by each may be made useful to all, and that all may be informed and interested; (*d*) of occasional gatherings, to be arranged by the Presbyterial Committees, in the interest of Foreign Missions, especially in rural neighborhoods; of exchanges of pastors for the purpose of bringing this subject before the people. All such means having especially in view the crying need of increased offerings for this cause.

3. That as churches and individuals we give ourselves to prayer in this "crisis of missions," that the new century of modern missions now beginning may be marked by wide-spread and glorious outpourings of the Spirit which shall bring Pentecostal multitudes into the church in all lands.

4. That, in view of the greatly increased need of the cause, Synod urges upon Presbyteries and Sessions to endeavor to secure, for the ensuing year, a sum as largely as possible in advance of the amount contributed by churches and Sabbath-schools during the past year, which was \$52,000. And Presbyteries are earnestly requested to put forth the most systematic efforts, through their Committees on Foreign Missions, to secure such enlarged contributions.

5. That, having received the fifteenth annual report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions, who report that they have had fifty-nine missionaries on their roll, and now have twenty-three under their care, and that they have raised \$33,270 during the year for this cause, the Synod congratulates them upon their persevering and growing work, welcomes their coöperation and cordially commends their efforts.

6. That, in response to the overture from the Presbytery of Monmouth, requesting the Synod to consider the advisability of renewing for this fall or winter the Simultaneous Meetings, the subject be referred to the Presbyterial Committees for local action as they may deem fit.

7. That the Synod would deprecate the tendency of some of our people to contribute funds for Foreign Missions through other channels at the expense of our authorized agency, the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions; and we would urge upon pastors, Sessions and people an increased loyalty to our Board in their gifts to Foreign Missions.

The Stated Clerk was authorized to print seventy-five copies of the annual report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions for the use of the Society.



The Synod, by a rising vote, expressed its sympathy with the President of the United States in the illness of Mrs. Harrison, and adopted the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Synod of New Jersey, deeply sympathizing with the President of the United States, in view of the great family affliction through which he is passing, hereby directs its Moderator and Stated Clerk to communicate the same by letter to our high Executive, and assure him that as he waits anxiously from day to day at the sick-bed, our prayers are with him and his beloved wife, that God would sustain and comfort both, and, if agreeable to His will, restore to health again.

The recommendations in the report of the Special Committee on the Instability of the Pastorate were considered ; the first was adopted, the second was amended and adopted ; and then the recommendations as a whole were referred back to the Committee for further consideration, and a report in 1893.

The Stated Clerk was directed to send to the Stated Clerk of each Presbytery, for the Presbytery, a copy of the report of this Committee as printed by order of the Synod of 1891.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was read. It was accepted and ordered printed in the Minutes.

The following resolution, presented by Rev. Everard Kempshall, D.D., was adopted :

The Synod of New Jersey, reaffirming and emphasizing its previous declarations concerning the evil of gambling upon race-tracks, and encouraged by the progress made in resisting it in New Jersey, hereby calls the attention of all under its care to the fact that this most pernicious crime is still openly and defiantly committed in this State, and *that* notwithstanding the judgment of our highest court sustaining the convictions which have been gained under the existing act. Synod, while calling the serious attention of all law-abiding people to this humiliating reflection upon the administration of justice in our State, expresses its belief that it can and will be removed in time, provided the existing law is not changed. Synod, therefore, earnestly calls upon all ministers and laymen within its bounds, to exercise unwearied vigilance and unrelaxed effort to prevent the enactment of any law by the Legislature of this State which shall legalize gambling upon race-tracks in New Jersey.

Letter of sympathy.

Instability of the Pastorate.

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Race tracks

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The Synod listened to an address by the Moderator upon missionary work in the Presbytery of Corisco.

Next place of  
meeting.

Bridgeton was chosen as the place for the next stated meeting, the sessions to be held at the First Church.

The Synod took a recess until 2 P.M.

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THURSDAY, 2 P.M.

The Synod re-assembled and proceeded to business.

The Finance Committee presented the following report :

Finance Com-  
mittee.

The Finance-Committee report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and find them to be correct.

They report the balance on hand, September 30th, 1892, as \$546.70.

Your Committee would recommend the following apportionments to Presbyteries for the ensuing year :

Elizabeth, . . . . .	\$60 00
Jersey City, . . . . .	50 00
Monmouth, . . . . .	50 00
Morris and Orange, . . . . .	60 00
Newark, . . . . .	60 00
New Brunswick, . . . . .	60 00
Newton, . . . . .	45 00
West Jersey, . . . . .	50 00

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\$435 00

This is a reduction of \$5 on the assessment of each of the Presbyteries.

Your Committee would also recommend—

1. That the Treasurer be authorized to purchase a new book and deposit the old one, which has been in use since 1835. with the Synodical records at Princeton.

2 That the Presbyteries be requested to pay to the Treasurer of Synod their apportionments before the end of the fiscal year ending September 30th.

The accounts and report of the Treasurer for Synodical Home Missions have also been carefully examined and found correct.

Your Committee feel it but just to these Treasurers to say that the careful and very excellent manner in which these accounts are kept is worthy of all praise.

The report was accepted, and the recommendations were adopted.

The report of the Special Committee to present Petitions to the Legislature was presented and accepted, and the Committee received the thanks of the Synod.

The recommendations found in the report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance were adopted, as follows :

1. This Synod expresses its hearty appreciation of the action of the Legislature of New Jersey, requesting the closing on Sunday of the exhibit of this State at the Columbian Exposition.

2. This Synod rejoices greatly in the resolution adopted by so large a majority of Congress, ordering that the Columbian Exposition be closed on Sunday, and we hereby petition the Senate and House of Representatives of these United States to remain firm in this action and to refuse any repeal thereof, should the attempt be made.

3. The Moderator and Stated Clerk of Synod are directed to send this second resolution to the Senators and Representatives from this State in Congress, with the request that the resolution be presented to Congress, as our petition in favor of the closing on Sunday of the Columbian Exposition.

4. While we rejoice in the prompt action taken by the mayor and prosecutor which prevented horse racing and gambling at the fair held in Egg Harbor City on two Sundays, we sincerely deplore that the fair itself could not have been closed on these Sundays. And we call upon officials, and upon all law-loving citizens in that section of the State, to take measures to prevent the opening of these fairs on Sunday, which for several years have been a disgrace to their towns and cities ; and likewise, to see that the laws against gambling and similar offences be enforced.

5. In order that Synod may possess desirable information, we request each Presbytery of this Synod to institute inquiries respecting the nature and extent of any Sabbath desecration that may be conspicuous within its bounds, and report the same to the Chairman of the Synod's Committee on Sabbath Observance one month before the meeting of Synod in 1893.

The report of the Standing Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly was presented and accepted, and ordered on file.

The records of the Presbytery of Corisco were approved, with the exception of a clerical error in the copy submitted, which omits the names of the ministers present at the meeting held January 6th to 14th, 1892.

Sabbath Observance.

Records,  
Corisco

Temperance.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance was presented, and its recommendations were adopted, as follows :

1. That the Synod of New Jersey renewedly expresses its utter condemnation of the liquor traffic, and urges all within its bounds, by voice and vote, to oppose this traffic, and to labor for its complete destruction.

2. That this Synod records hereby its abhorrence of the infamous excise law, whereby one hundred persons can force the bar-room and the saloon on the unwilling towns and cities of an entire county, and calls upon the Legislature to blot this tyrannical act from our statute books.

3. That we further ask the Legislature to refuse the demand of the liquor dealers to repeal the disorderly-house act, since the repeal of said act would inevitably tend to greater Sabbath desecration, to more drunkenness, and to more crime.

4. That we call the attention of all Church Sessions that use the ordinary wine of commerce, to the advisability of substituting therefor the unfermented juice of the grape

5. That the following persons be elected as members of the Interdenominational Church Commission on Temperance, viz.: Rev. B. S. Everitt, Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., Rev. A. Erdman, D.D., Rev. John Woodbridge, D.D., Rev. W. E. Honeyman, Elders, J. Y. Foster, J. R. Bennett, and H. E. Simmons.

Sabbath-school  
Work.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath-School Work was presented, and the recommendations were adopted, as follows :

1. Your Committee recommend that the coming year be made, on the part of Presbyterian Committees, Superintendents and Sabbath-school workers generally, a year for the investigation of what is actually being done throughout the schools of Synod in educating the young in the worship of God by offerings.

2. Your Committee also recommend that the Chairmen of the Presbyterian Committees report the condition of systematic giving in the schools of their respective Presbyteries to Synod's Committee in time for the next annual report.

Unemployed  
Ministers and  
Vacant Churches

The report of the Permanent Committee on Unemployed Ministers and Vacant Churches was presented, and its recommendation, that Synod urge upon Presbyteries to give the overture from the General Assembly upon this

subject their most serious and careful attention, was adopted

Rev. William A. Rice, D.D., Secretary, was heard concerning the work of the American Tract Society. American Tract Society.

The following resolution was adopted :

This Synod has heard with interest the address of Rev. William A. Rice, D.D., Secretary of the American Tract Society, and believing that the Society has been and is an important ally of our churches in Christian work, we commend it to our churches and pray God to bless its labors, that through its agency many souls may be brought to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Owing to the illness of Rev. Allen H. Brown, the report of the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials was postponed. Historical Materials.

A brief verbal report of the Trustees of Synod was presented and accepted. Trustees.

The records of the Presbyteries of Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton and West Jersey were approved. Presbyterial Records approved.

The Judicial Committee was discharged. Judicial Committee.

The janitor's bill was ordered paid. Janitor.

The Stated Clerk was authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties, and to report to the Synod at its next meeting. Stated Clerk, expenses.

The Stated Clerk was authorized to print the Statistical Reports.

Thanks.

A vote of thanks was adopted unanimously, as follows :

*Resolved*, That the hearty thanks of this Synod be extended, To the First Presbyterian Church, and to the citizens of Belvidere, for the entertainment so generously furnished during the session of Synod ;

To the choir of this church for the music so kindly given for the public meetings ; and

To the railroads for special courtesies in the way of a special train and excursion rates.

Rev. Sylvester W. Beach was appointed Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Necrology in the place of Rev. Henry S. Butler, D D. Necrology.

Attendance.

The Permanent Clerk reported that 139 Ministers, 93 Ruling Elders and 9 Corresponding Members had been in attendance, and that the following members, having given satisfactory reasons, had been excused for absence :

## FROM THE PRESENT MEETING.

Elizabeth—Rev. I. A. Blauvelt, Rev. John T. Kerr, Rev. W. J. Henderson, Rev. P. F. Leavens, D.D.

Jersey City—Rev. Henry M. Booth, D.D., Rev. Jas. C. Egbert, D.D.

Monmouth—Rev. Frank Chandler, D.D., Rev. S. Edward Young, Rev. Joseph G. Symmes, D.D., Rev. Joseph S. Van Dyke, D.D., Rev. Charles H. McClellan, Rev. Rufus Taylor, D.D., Elder Hugh B. Ely, Elder N. Busby.

Morris and Orange—Rev. Stephen C. Leonard.

Newark—Rev. Julius H. Wolff, Rev. A. N. Hollifield, D.D., Rev. Henry C. Vanderbeek, Rev. Orville Reed.

New Brunswick—Rev. Amzi L. Armstrong, Rev. Henry C. Cameron, D.D., Rev. S. S. Orris, Ph.D., Rev. John T. Duffield, D.D., Rev. Horace G. Hinsdale, Rev. O. Howell Hazard

Newton—Rev. John Lowrey.

West Jersey—Rev. Allen H. Brown.

## AFTER TUESDAY EVENING.

New Brunswick—Elder John D. Rue.

## AFTER WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Elizabeth—Rev. Wm. E. Honeyman, Rev. Wm. Hoppaugh.

Monmouth—Rev. Wm. McNichol, Rev. Frank R. Symmes, Elder G. S. Reid.

Morris and Orange—Rev. W. W. Halloway, Jr., D.D., Rev. Theo. F. Chambers, Elder Aaron Carter, Jr., Elder T. Y. Ward.

Newark—Rev. Charles T. Haley, D.D., Rev. Alex. H. Young, D.D.

West Jersey—Rev. Frederic R. Brace, Ph.D., Elder R. B. Stevenson.

## AFTER WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Elizabeth—Rev. Abram I. Martine, Elder J. E. Marsh, Elder R. S. T. Cissel.

Jersey City—Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D.

Monmouth—Rev. W. P. Finney, Rev. Alfred H. Dashiell, D.D., Rev. Henry R. Hall, Rev. Benj. S. Everitt, Rev. Charles Everett, Elder Thomas Campbell, Elder Chas. E. Hall, M.D.

Morris and Orange—Rev. John R. Fisher, Rev. Henry A. Harlow, Rev. Henry M. Storrs, D.D., Rev. Albert Erdman,



D.D., Rev. James A. Ferguson, Rev. Henry F. Hickok, D.D., Elder Malcolm B. Cole, Elder W. C. Johnson, Elder J. V. P. Schenck, Elder T. P. Milligan, Elder G. H. Kennedy, Elder George Cook, Elder Thomas M. Peck.

Newark—Rev. Davis W. Lusk, Rev. E. O. McFarland, Elder J. P. Jones, Elder James Gardner.

New Brunswick—Rev. David Wills, Jr., Rev. Jos. H. Dulles, Rev. James R. Kerr, Rev. John Dixon, D.D., Elder Charles A. Skillman, Elder J. P. Chamberlain.

Newton—Rev. F. R. S. Hunsicker, D.D., Rev. Samuel Carile, D.D., Elder Thomas DeWitt, Elder Thomas M. Boyer, Elder David R. Hull.

West Jersey—Rev. A. P. Botsford, Elder Thomas W. Synott.

AFTER WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Elizabeth—Rev. John C. Rankin, D.D., Rev. Samuel J. Rowland, Elder J. W. Spangenberg.

Jersey City—Rev. Charles D. Shaw, D.D.

Morris and Orange—Rev. E. R. Murgatroyd, Elder Daniel L. Morris,

Newark—Rev. Lewis Lampman, Elder Wm. E. Taylor.

New Brunswick—Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D.

Newton—Elder Isaac P. Carpenter.

AFTER THURSDAY MORNING.

Elizabeth—Rev. George F. Greene, Rev. Wm. R. Richards, D.D., Rev. Geo. Kennedy Newell, Rev. Geo. H. Payson, Rev. George Buckle, Elder L. M. Lovell, Elder Geo. W. Cross, Elder T. H. Morris.

Jersey City—Rev. J. T. Osler, Rev. Robert H. Sharpe, Elder J. H. Halsey.

Monmouth—Rev. W. L. Cunningham, D.D., Rev. George Swain, D.D., Elder Jas. Steen, Elder Eli Beard.

Morris and Orange—Rev. S. J. McClenaghan, Rev. Baker Smith, Elder H. B. Auchincloss, Elder William Bartley, Elder E. H. Williams.

Newark—Rev. D. C. Preyer, Rev. F. N. Rutan, Rev. D. R. Frazer, D.D., Rev. Ford C. Ottman, Rev. J. G. Hamner, Jr., Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, Elder A. H. Hazeltine.

New Brunswick—Rev. William Swan, Rev. Thomas S. Long, Rev. D. Ruby Warne, Rev. Geo. W. S. Wenrick, Rev. John B. Kugler, Rev. Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., Rev. Lewis W. Mudge, D.D., Elder Cornelius Shepherd, M.D., Elder W. J. Owens, Elder J. B. Van Doren.

Newton—Rev. Isaac H. Condit, Rev. Robert A. Bryant, Rev. I. Davison Decker, Rev. A. Mc S. Higgins, Rev. John P. Clarke,

Elder P. L. Hawk, Elder Wm. G. Dufford, Elder A. W. Cook, Elder A. G. Creveling.

West Jersey—Rev. Wm. Bannard, D.D., Rev. John Ewing, D.D., Rev. A. J. Snyder, Rev. W. V. Louderbough, Rev. H. L. Janeway, Elder P. Kennedy Reeves, Elder Robert Peacock, Elder C. M. Williams.

AFTER 3 P.M. THURSDAY

Elizabeth—Rev. Chas. S. Converse, Rev. J. M. McNulty, D. D., Elder J. A. Burnett, Elder E. D. Smith.

Monmouth—Rev. Thomas Tyack, Rev. Edw. B. Hodge, D.D., Elder Ira Otterson, Elder D. G. Perrine, Elder Sering Shangle, Elder D. C. Lewis.

Newark—Elder J. P. Dusenberry, Elder Cyrus Peck.

New Brunswick—Rev. Frank B. Everitt, Rev. Titus E. Davis, Rev. Chas. P. Glover, Rev. D. Stuart Moore, Elder A. S. Coriell, Elder Jacob Maple, Elder William H. Hughes.

Absentees.

The roll was called, and the following members were found absent without excuse :

Elizabeth—Rev. J. G. Hamner, D.D., Rev. J. A. Liggett, D.D. Elder Wm. C. Lane, Elder Robert McDougall, Elder R. M. Hunting.

Jersey City—Rev. J. B. Gallaway, Rev. Thomas Houston.

Monmouth—Elder S. T. Woolley, Elder S. W. Hendrickson.

Morris and Orange—Rev. George P. Noble, Elder Stephen Babbitt, Elder George B. Marsh.

Newark—Elder S. A. Farrand, Ph.D.

New Brunswick—Rev. Samuel A. Harlow, Elder Aug. Dilts, Elder Edward Stout, Elder A. A. Van Hise, Elder John A. Campbell.

Newton—Rev. E. Simanton, Rev. C. E. Van Allen, Rev. William Hollinshed, Rev. Philip P. Reese, Elder Ephraim Walters, Elder J. C. Johnson, M.D., Elder W. G. Sutphen.

Minutes.

The minutes of the day were read and the record was approved.

Adjournment.

The Synod then adjourned to meet on the third Tuesday of October, 1893, in the First Church of Bridgeton, at an hour to be determined and advertised by the Committee of Arrangements.

The session closed with prayer and the benediction.

WILLIAM F. WHITAKER,

*Recording Clerk.*

WALTER A. BROOKS,

*Stated Clerk.*



The preceding pages contain a complete and accurate record of the proceedings of the Synod of New Jersey, October 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> 1892.

Attest: Walter A. Brooks,  
Stated Clerk.

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Examined, approved and enterprise of Synod commended by 105<sup>th</sup> General Assembly at Washington D.C. June 1. 1893.

Wm Henry Roberts  
Vice Moderator







# APPENDIX.

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## I.—NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1ST, 1892.

Your Committee upon Narrative would report that while the past year has witnessed no widespread revival of religion within the bounds of Synod, it has been marked by a distinct gain in the piety of our churches and in their spiritual vigor and growth. Much there is, indeed, which we have occasion to deplore. Sadly must it be confessed that we have not abounded in the fruits of righteousness nor have we kept our garments clean from the pollutions of the world. But mingled with our confession of shortcoming must rise the jubilant strain of praise. The gospel, energetically and faithfully preached, has been attended with evident tokens of Divine approval; the ordinances of religion have been generally honored; nearly four thousand accessions have been made to the membership of our churches; in some of our congregations the right arm of the Almighty has been bared for the salvation of sinners; in other portions of our field there has been a quiet work of grace which we may not dignify by the name of a revival, but which has resulted in a quickening of Christian life; concord and harmony have prevailed within our borders, and our churches have walked together in the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace.

The history of our Synod in the year just closed must therefore be regarded as one of marked prosperity—as one which calls for devout thanksgiving to the Master of Assemblies, for renewed consecration to our appointed tasks, and for a more earnest expectation of future blessing.

### PUBLIC WORSHIP.

All the Presbyteries report constant and regular preaching in the congregations within their bounds. Attendance upon the means of public instruction has, for the most part, been encouraging. Where there has been a perceptible decrease in this respect, "an unusual degree of sickness" has operated as an interfering cause with the number and regularity of the worshippers. The church at Lakewood, in the Presbytery of Monmouth, has been compelled to double the seating capacity of its house of worship to meet the enlarged

needs of its growing congregation. The Presbytery of Corisco finds special reason for gratitude to God in the steady interest which is taken in the Sabbath services, and instances the church of Batanga as a notable illustration. That lonely outpost upon the northern frontier of this far-off field, although capable of accommodáting three or four hundred worshipers, "is crowded every Sabbath with men, women and children." Thus Ethiopia stretches forth her hands to God!

With one exception the Narratives disclose a most gratifying degree of interest manifested by the young in the public worship of God's House. In the Presbytery of Elizabeth "the relation between the children and the preaching service is unsatisfactory." But the Presbytery of Morris and Orange refers with delight to their attendance upon the house of prayer and finds this fact "furnishing a note of joy in the reports of one or two desponding pastors." "In one of the discouraging fields and in one of the strongest and most active churches, they have been conspicuously present, so as to occasion remark." One church in the Presbytery of Monmouth gives us an example worthy of our emulation, where "every child that attends Sunday-school attends the church." Our rejoicing in Christ Jesus should surely be the more abundant as we see our sons and daughters, in early life, thus learning to follow the footsteps of the flock beside the Shepherd's tent!

#### SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

At this point the Narratives are instructive and inspiring. Our work among the children may not have measured up to the standard of our expectations. It certainly has fallen short of the circle of our opportunities. Yet God has smiled upon it. Gracious seasons of refreshing have visited even the lambs of the flock. Many of the scholars have been stimulated to the grace of systematic giving. Faithful effort has been made to build them up in love for the doctrine and polity of the church of their fathers. In the majority of our schools the Catechism is taught, and the "Westminster lesson-leaves" are used. One Presbytery which calls attention to "the small proportionate additions to the churches out of the Sunday-schools," tells us that only about one-half of its schools use the "Westminster Helps" and the Catechism. The annual accession from the Sunday-school may be small, but if it is to do effective work for Christ, within the limits of our common Presbyterianism, one would think it should be fed and nurtured upon the publications of our own Board. Is it not true, to-day, as when our Catechism was first formulated, that this unrivalled system of doctrine and duty, "when correctly impressed upon the memory of the young and clearly explained to their understanding, is a powerful instru-

ment for preserving them from future error in faith, and for recalling them from vicious courses in practice"?

About one sixth of our churches report mission-schools under their care. Great activity has been displayed in this department of our work. In the Presbytery of Newark four of these schools have been organized into churches. And with reference to the rest, the burden of evidence seems to show that while the mission-school is often a source of anxiety, it seldom fails to react in blessing upon the mother church. In enlarging the place of her tent, and lengthening her cords upon the right hand and the left, she has found that the stakes of her own habitation have not been weakened but have increased in strength.

Four of our churches support schools among our foreign population, two for the Italians and two for the Chinese. No effort has as yet been made to meet the needs of God's ancient people Israel, who are colonizing large portions of the southern section of our State. The language of Providence in bringing them within the bounds of Synod cannot be misunderstood. Happy shall they be who shall be employed in accomplishing His designs of mercy towards this chosen race. They shall prosper that do good to Zion.

#### ORGANIZATIONS FOR CHURCH WORK.

A most hopeful feature in the history of the year is the increased number of Young People's Societies which have been organized in our churches. Whatever tends to the spiritual culture of the young must be a powerful agent in moulding our future ecclesiastical life. Of the 3,941 members received into our churches upon profession of faith during the past twelve months, more than one-half, or 2,163, have come from the Sunday-schools. If our young men and women are to be trained up for systematic and efficient work, we must wisely utilize and guide these newer forces which the spirit of this active age has placed at our disposal. As might be supposed, the Y. P. S. C. E. stands in the first rank of these organizations, but there are other societies whose name is Legion, by means of which the churches are seeking to consolidate and strengthen the mystical body of Christ, remembering the words of the Apostle, that while all the members are necessary for the completeness of the body, much more those members which seem to be the most feeble.

#### FAMILY RELIGION.

All the reports bear witness to the fidelity of Christian parents in presenting their children for baptism and to the manifest manner in which God's covenant is honored. It is to be lamented that there is not a corresponding unanimity in the testimony to the prevalence of family worship. If the Narratives do not speak of a positive de-

cadence of this duty, they leave the impression that in many Christian homes there is no express acknowledgment of God at the family altar. We need to enforce with fresh emphasis upon the consciences of our people the importance of a daily recognition of God within the household—"Let the voice of rejoicing and salvation be in the tabernacles of the righteous."

#### BENEVOLENCE.

In the matter of beneficence it is pleasant to record that our churches have not fallen into a decline, but are steadily advancing in their comprehension of the number and needs of our Boards, and with this widening knowledge are giving more largely than they did a year ago. The Presbytery of New Brunswick still reports every blank in the benevolent columns of our Minutes filled, and the Presbytery of Elizabeth closely approaches this ideal, showing that but two of its churches fail to contribute to all the Boards.

Among the items of miscellaneous interest by means of which we trace our progress in the grace of giving are the promptitude with which the financial obligations of our congregations have been met, the diligence with which our women have labored in the Home and Foreign Work, and the activity displayed in the matter of Church Extension. Three of the older churches in the Presbytery of Newark have erected new and more commodious edifices; the Pittsgrove congregation, in the Presbytery of West Jersey, has just dedicated a Mission Chapel free from debt, and the native Christians of Evune, upon the coast of Africa, have reared a house of worship "entirely at their own expense."

#### REVIVALS.

To ascertain the exact proportion of gain or loss in the results of our Synodical year we must examine every phase of our church life. But there is no evidence of growth to which the heart will turn with greater alacrity, none so closely connected with our permanent prosperity, as the presence of the Holy Ghost in quickening power within our churches. From all parts of our field comes the intelligence of spiritual awakenings and of large ingatherings. The Presbytery of Monmouth gives us a depressing account of the depletion wrought by death and change of residence in some of its congregations, and discovers "a most urgent call to earnest prayer and effort" in the fact that "comparing the total membership this year with that of 1891, there is seen to be a loss of 166." But even in this Presbytery, in which some churches have declined to the extent of 24, 26, 43 and 57 members each, one church has enjoyed a marked work of grace. In the percentage of additions upon profession of faith, the Presbytery of Corisco forges to the front. The



Presbytery of Newark reports that "the average accession to its churches is 22, while in the entire Synod besides it is 12, and in the church at large only 8." But in the Presbytery of Corisco the additions average 29. There is food for reflection in these figures, and a happy answer to the question, "Does work among the heathen pay?" Shall we not lend a listening ear to the touching request with which the Presbytery of Corisco concludes its narrative—"Remember, in your prayers, this lone Presbytery beyond the waters, seeking to extend itself back into the heart of the dark continent, in fulfillment of our Saviour's parting words."

One-third of the churches in the Presbytery of Morris and Orange and one-fourth in the Presbytery of Newark have been blessed with an outpouring of the Spirit. In the Presbytery of Newton the following churches report a gracious season of revival: Andover, Beattystown, Belvidere First, Belvidere Second, Bloomsbury, Delaware, Greenwich, Knowlton, Musconetcong Valley, Newton, North Hardyston, Oxford First, Oxford Second, and Stillwater. The churches receiving 20 members or more upon confession of their faith are: In the Presbytery of New Brunswick—Ewing, 20; Stockton, 21; East Trenton Chapel, 27; First Trenton, 20; Bethany, 47; Pennington, 20; and Lambertville, 49. In the Presbytery of Elizabeth—First Rahway, 20; Hope Chapel, Plainfield, 25; Perth Amboy, 30; Clinton, 30; Elizabeth West, 60; Elizabeth Third, 61; Marshall Street, 75; Elizabeth Second, 118; and First German, 140. In the Presbytery of Jersey City—West Hoboken, 79, and John Knox, 100. In the Presbytery of West Jersey—Liberty Park, Camden, 25; Pittsgrove, 48; Camden First, 46; Central Mission, 38; and Camden Second, 35.

No unusual obstructions have arisen to impede the progress of our work, but as one Presbytery remarks, "there have been plenty of the usual." The spirit of worldliness, silent, stealthy, pervasive, is still our deadly foe. Sabbath desecration, the saloon, race-track and gambling evils, have each exerted their pernicious influence. And there have been sources of weakness within the church itself which have sorely militated against the measure of our success. Notwithstanding the increased activity which certainly exists, the lack of individual exertion must be great. Our people have yet to learn the efficacy of prayer, to know that they are not straitened in the Lord but in themselves. Our ministers, elders and membership-at-large have need to cherish a truer missionary spirit, and to lay more generous gifts upon the altar of Christian beneficence. And yet, while this is true, as we rear, to-day, our seventieth Ebenezer as a Synod, let us be glad in God that there is so much for which to be thankful and to take courage. Let us address ourselves anew, with larger hope and firmer faith to the work which lies before us. The magnitude of the undertaking may

be great, the means provided for its accomplishment may sometimes seem few, we may often say "Who is sufficient for these things? What are these among so many?" But let all such carnal reasonings be dispelled by the declaration of Him that is faithful and true—"My grace is sufficient." "Not by might, not by power, but by My Spirit saith the Lord."

WILLIAM BOYD,  
*Chairman.*

## II.—NECROLOGICAL REPORT.

*Presbytery of Jersey City.*

THE REV. CHARLES KISSELMAN IMBRIE, D.D.

A call to higher service has removed from the roll of the Presbytery of Jersey City the honored name which, for ten years past, has stood first upon it, and Dr. Charles K. Imbrie answers the roll-call of the church triumphant.

A native of Philadelphia, he completed both his academic and theological courses at Princeton, the latter having been extended over four years, during two of which he served as tutor in the college. Called by the First Church of Rahway, in 1840, he was ordained and installed by the Presbytery of Elizabethtown, on January 5th, 1841, and remained for eleven years in charge of that parish. In 1852, at the call of the First Church, he removed to Jersey City. This relation, of nearly forty years' standing, was terminated by his death.

The Board of Foreign Missions, of which, for thirteen years, he was Recording Secretary, had enjoyed his service and counsel for thirty-five years. He was for thirty years a trustee of the College of New Jersey, which conferred his degree of D.D., in 1860; for a brief period he was associate editor of the *New York Evangelist*.

With the inestimable advantages of lofty parental example, of covenant nurture and of Christian education, the correct and reverent boy developed into a godly and efficient man. God's call to the gospel ministry drew him away from flattering prospects in the business life upon which he had entered; the decision made, his devotion was unflinching and his fidelity uncompromising. Though tenacious in conviction and firm in purpose, he exhibited in every relation that peculiar gentleness which betrays the control of the Christ life within; carrying even in his countenance the suggestion of spirituality. Faithful and prompt in the discharge of the varied duties which are wont to be imposed where there is confidence on the one hand and willingness on the other, he laid down, on November 20th, 1891, in his seventy-seventh year, a remarkably well-rounded life.

Dr. Imbrie's wife, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Miller, preceded him by a few months to the heavenly home. Two sons and a daughter cherish their memory.

*Presbytery of Monmouth.*

THE REV. JOHN HANCOCK

was born in 1818, in Branton, England. When quite young he emigrated to America, and was educated at Madison, Indiana. He

engaged in missionary work in Helena, Arkansas, organized a church there and was married; then had charge of a female seminary in Harrodsburg, Kentucky, preaching in the neighborhood. Moved to Council Bluffs, Iowa, and organized a church. While there his first wife died, leaving one child. After a visit in England, he took charge of a church in Leavenworth, Kansas, remaining until the commencement of the civil war, when he removed to Miami City, Ohio, where he married his second wife. In October, 1883, he accepted a call to the Throop Avenue Church, in Brooklyn, New York, and left it to take charge of the Ainslie Street Church, Brooklyn, E. D., in December, 1866. From 1870 to 1876 he was pastor at Mt Kisco, N. Y., and after a few months spent in Andover, N. J., he went to Toms River, remaining until the fall of 1880. From 1882 to 1886 he was pastor at Keyport, N. J. His health gave way in 1886, and the next year he went to England, where he died, at Barnstable, April 29th, 1892, in the seventy-fourth year of his age. His widow survives.

THE REV. EPAMINONDAS J. PIERCE,

a graduate of Dartmouth College and of the Union Theological Seminary, was found dead in bed at Farmingdale, N. J., on the morning of the Sabbath, May 12th, 1892, he being seventy years of age.

Born of wealthy parents and the heir of a fortune, as a labor of love he gave himself to the missionary work in Western Africa, and was ordained by the Presbytery of Philadelphia in 1852. After his wife and only child had succumbed to the fatal fever, with impaired health he returned to America. Served the church at Water Gap, Pa., from 1864 to 1870, and in time accepted an invitation to a new field of labor, in which a few families were striving to build up a Presbyterian church. Using freely his energy and means, he secured for them a good church building with ample conveniences, and thenceforth for many years the little congregation of Farmingdale had the honorable distinction of filling its benevolent columns in the Assembly's minutes with an amount averaging from \$20 to \$50 per member, very largely owing to Mr. Pierce's liberal gifts, while every interest of the community felt the touch of his generous hand.

His estate, amounting to \$200,000, he left to Lincoln University, doubtless with the hope that it might help to accomplish, after his departure, the work from the pursuit of which he had been providentially called away.

Such a life of consecration and humble service confounds the skeptic and evidences the true nobility of the Christian faith.

## THE REV. BENJAMIN THOMAS PHILLIPS

was born in New York city in 1820, and early united with the Rutgers Street Church, of which his parents were members. He was a graduate of the College of New Jersey (1842), and spent one year in Union and one in Princeton Seminary. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New York in 1843, and ordained by the Presbytery of West Jersey in 1844. During the years 1844-46 he preached in May's Landing, N. J., and New York city. In 1847 he settled in Rondout, N. Y., leaving in 1861 to enter the army as Chaplain of the 9th N. Y. Regiment. During three years of the war of the Rebellion he was in active service, when, disabled by rheumatism contracted through exposure, he was appointed Chaplain of the hospital at Annapolis Junction until the war closed. Having served two years in city missionary work in New York, he was chosen Superintendent of the Home for Little Wanderers in Philadelphia, where he did important work. The church in Windham, N. Y., enjoyed his ministrations from 1874 to 1876, when he was called to Manchester, N. J., which charge he resigned, on account of failing health, a year before his death, which occurred from heart failure, May 23d, 1892.

Brother Phillips impressed those who came into contact with him as a learned man and a gifted preacher, whose liberal spirit provoked others to love and to good works. In spite of bodily infirmities in his later life, his accomplishments were great.

He left a widow, three daughters and two sons.

*Presbytery of Morris and Orange.*

## THE REV. NATHANIEL CONKLIN

closed his earthly career August 17th, 1892, at his home in Madison, N. J., aged sixty-eight years

Born at Baskingridge, in 1823, he received his higher education at Rutgers College and New Brunswick Theological Seminary, being graduated from the latter in 1847. He began his ministerial work at Long Branch, where he organized a Reformed Church, and after three years was called to Montville. His nineteen years' pastorate there is gratefully remembered. In 1870 he became the pastor of the New Vernon Presbyterian Church, situated a few miles from his birthplace, and remained twelve years, during which period two revival seasons gladdened his ministry. He resigned at last on account of a paralytic affection, which gradually increased during the last ten years of his life, though sparing his mental faculties. These closing years of sickness only served more fully to demonstrate his Christian character, his love for God's Word and Church, and his cheerful submission to God's will.

Mr. Conklin was twice married; in 1848 to Miss Elizabeth Woodruff, who was the mother of his nine children, seven of whom are

still living; in 1880 to Miss Jennie M. Drinkwater, who ministered to his later years and survives him. One of his sons, Rev. John W. Conklin, is a missionary to India.

*Presbytery of New Brunswick.*

THE REV. JAMES STEBBINS

was born at Caldwell, New York, in 1813; was a graduate of Union College, and of the Seminary at Princeton in 1845. He spent a few years after graduation teaching in Georgia, and then as a licentiate stately supplied the Reformed Dutch Church of Fort Miller, New York. Ordained by the Presbytery of Burlington, in 1852, he served the churches of Plattsburg and Plumstead for four years, and then went to reside in Princeton. During four of the twenty-two years spent there he supplied the Witherspoon Street (colored) Church. With enfeebled health he removed to Newark, in 1878, and spent the remaining years of his life with his only surviving daughter. He died January 12th, 1892. "He is remembered with affection by those who knew him for many excellent qualities, and cheerful witness is borne to his fidelity to his sacred calling during his years of health."

Mr. Stebbins married Miss Ruth S. Olden, who died some thirty years before him.

THE REV. CHARLES AUGUSTUS AIKEN, PH.D., D.D.,

was born October 30th, 1827, in Manchester, Vermont. He was the son of John Aiken, a lawyer, of the New Hampshire Scotch-Irish stock. His mother died when he was but two years of age. His step-mother was a daughter of President Appleton, of Bowdoin College, and was most helpful to him. He was thoroughly ready for college at twelve years, but entered when nearly fifteen, and was graduated at Dartmouth, in 1846, at the head of his class, being particularly distinguished for linguistic attainments. He was fond of athletic sports and possessed a fine ear for music, so that he was chosen to lead the college choir and made president of the Händel Society. He taught for one year at Lawrence Academy, Mass., and for two years at Phillips, Andover, while Dr. Taylor was its head. He was conspicuously successful as a teacher and manager of boys. After one year at Andover Seminary he went to Europe, and, pursuing his studies in Halle, Leipsic and Berlin, he came under the influence of such men as Tholuck, Neander and Lepsius. His taste for the Oriental languages and Egyptology was gratified and developed in Europe. Having returned, he was graduated with the Class of 1853 at Andover, ordained in 1854, in which year he married. His only pastorate was at Yarmouth, Maine, and lasted five years.

He was Professor of the Latin Language and Literature in Dartmouth College, 1859-66; and in the College of New Jersey, 1866-9; and President of Union College, 1869-71.



His connection with the Princeton Theological Seminary began in 1871, when he was made Professor of Christian Ethics and Apologetics; and later, by a readjustment of the course of studies, he became Stuart Professor of the Relation of Philosophy and Science to the Christian Religion, and of Oriental and Old Testament Literature. He was Librarian for several years. He did a vast amount of literary work as associate editor of the *Princeton Review*, and, later, of the *Presbyterian Review*; as editor and translator of Lange's Commentary on Proverbs; as a member of the American Committee on the Revision of the Old Testament; as author of numerous newspaper articles on current topics, and of a great variety of critical notices prepared for the *Presbyterian and Reformed Review*.

He was one of the Directors of the John C. Green School at Lawrenceville; and was sent, in 1888, as a delegate to the World's Conference on Foreign Missions, in London.

Dr. Aiken was regarded as an encyclopedia of information on all manner of scholarly and practical subjects, which he was most ready to communicate. His acquaintance with individual students was surprising. His executive ability was of a high order; and the beauty of his religious life shed a lustre over all of his attainments and sanctified the achievements of his varied career.

He died in Princeton, January 14th, 1892, leaving a widow, whose maiden name was Miss Sarah Elizabeth Noyes, but no children. He received the degree of Ph.D. in 1866, and of D.D. in 1869, both from Princeton.

THE REV. RICHARD HIGGINS RICHARDSON, D D.,

was born in Lexington, Kentucky, September 23d, 1823. He graduated at the College and Seminary at Princeton, and was ordained by the Presbytery of Peoria, in 1848, to take charge of a new enterprise in Chicago, called the North Church (now the Fourth). After seven years in that field he was pastor of St. Peter's, in Rochester, N. Y., and of Marengo, Illinois. In 1860 he took charge of the church in Red Mills, N. Y., whence he was called to Newburyport, Mass., in 1864, where his four years' pastorate will be long remembered, and where his body now lies beside the remains of two lovely children who died there. In 1868, he became pastor of the Fourth Church of Trenton, N. J. This relation continued for nineteen years, and brought him into contact, not only with a highly intelligent congregation, but also with many of the teachers and pupils of the State Normal School, near by, to whom his ministry was one of profit and delight. Resigning on account of ill health, he was without charge until his death, which occurred at Bayhead, June 14th, 1892, he being sixty-eight years old. An accurate scholar, of peculiarly æsthetic habit, Dr. Richardson was a gifted and choice expounder of God's word. A marked sense of propriety and spirit

of reverence pervaded his public ministrations and impressed the worshipers, while his prayers, graced with most fitting language, lifted their hearts to the mercy seat. "He brought the truth to bear upon his hearers in their spiritual, family, social and civil relations. Hence his preaching was fresh, unhackneyed and timely. He was a wise, tender and faithful pastor." His declining days were spent in literary labor until, within sound of the surging billows which ever so stirred his soul, the cable parted and his spirit was wafted to the farther shore. A beloved wife, Octavia, the daughter of the Rev. Dr. John Woodbridge, so long of Hadley, Mass., and three children survive him. He was made Doctor of Divinity by the College of New Jersey in 1865.

*Presbytery of Newton.*

THE REV. ALANSON AUSTIN HAINES.

The hand which for so many years so graciously recorded the passage of his deceased brethren from the earthly to the heavenly division of God's great family lies helpless, and the gallant and beloved chaplain has exchanged his sword for a crown.

Mr. Haines died in Hamburg, N. J., the home of his father, ex-Gov. Daniel Haines, having spent nearly his whole ministry in the place of his birth.

Born in 1830, he was graduated at Princeton College and, after five years spent in civil engineering, entered the Seminary and was graduated in 1858. Ordained September 22d, of that year, by the Presbytery of Lewes, he was pastor for three years of the Buckingham and Eden Churches, Maryland, and then stated supply of Amagansett, New York, until in 1862, the call of his country drew him to the army as Chaplain of the 15th N. J. Volunteers. From that time until the war closed he participated in no less than thirty-six battles, from Fredericksburg to Gettysburg, and earned a reputation for the most self-sacrificing bravery combined with gentleness like a woman's. The war over, he was unanimously invited by the congregation of North Hardyston to supply their pulpit. He served them for twenty-five years, resigning on account of ill health in 1890. In October of that year his voice was heard for the last time in the Synod, and he died after a lingering illness, December 11th, 1891.

To Brother Haines, more than to most good men, the motto of the Chevalier Bayard was applicable, "Without fear and without reproach." He was as much respected and as truly loved by the soldiers of his regiment as by his Christian brethren. He stood the severe test of a long pastorate among people who had known him from boyhood. Among his ecclesiastical brethren he was known as a wise counselor, particularly adapted to the discharge of difficult and delicate duties. As a citizen he was fearless and zealous, and his geo-



logical and historical researches have placed his native State under no little obligation. His humble, consistent piety shone through every feature of the man and his work.

At his own request his body was enfolded in his country's flag and laid in the North Hardyston cemetery to await the Lord's coming.

"Soldier of Christ, well done."

*Presbytery of West Jersey.*

THE REV. FRANKLIN D. HARRIS

was born in Philadelphia in 1812. He was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1837, and from Andover Seminary in 1840. Ordained by the Presbytery of Philadelphia in 1840, he did home missionary work in Central Pennsylvania until 1851. He was pastor of the church in Bristol, Pa., from 1851 to 1860; Port Byron, N. Y., 1860-7; Woodbury, N. J., 1867-76. After this he resided in Camden, N. J., without charge, until 1890, when he moved to Philadelphia, and there died, February 23d, 1892. His brethren of the Presbytery bear witness to him "as an instructive and earnest preacher, and a sympathetic and faithful pastor." His wife was Matilda Wallace, who died in 1880. One daughter survives him.

HENRY S. BUTLER,  
*Chairman.*

### III.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

The sixth annual report of your Committee on Synodical Home Missions presents a record of gifts and services for which our devout and hearty thanksgiving is due to our Lord and Master. The Synod is doing an important work, economically and efficiently, but just as necessary and important work remains undone. Your Committee are anxious to undertake it, and only await the command of Synod to give heed to the earnest calls for increased service.

After paying all claims against the Synod for services rendered up to the close of the last fiscal year, the Treasurer had a balance on hand of \$745.70. This was \$143.67 less than that of last year. Whether this net balance of \$745.70 (which was the entire capital of Synod with which to begin the new year's work) has been increased or diminished, can only be determined after all the payments for work up to October 1st, 1892, have been made.

The Treasurer reports that he has received from all sources a total sum of \$14,802.47.

The Presbytery of Elizabeth	contributed . . . . .	\$2,151 57
“ “ Jersey City	“ . . . . .	1,367 08
“ “ Monmouth	“ . . . . .	1,145 78
“ “ Morris and Orange,	“ . . . . .	2,774 38
“ “ Newark	“ . . . . .	2,444 63
“ “ New Brunswick	“ . . . . .	1,857 35
“ “ Newton	“ . . . . .	1 063 36
“ “ West Jersey	“ . . . . .	1,342 32
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The Presbyteries of Morris and Orange and West Jersey are entitled to special mention, as having given somewhat more than the sums asked from them by Synod. Elizabeth and Monmouth are fairly entitled to the credit of raising their quota, though the amounts needed to make up the deficiency reached the Treasurer too late to be included in the fiscal year. Both Presbyteries put forth special efforts to meet the emergency, and are deserving of commendation. The Presbyteries of Newark and Newton, though not quite reaching their quota, have made a notable advance upon preceding years. Newark sends \$601.19 more than last year, and Newton \$244.03. In this we rejoice, and take it as an earnest of entire success in the years to come. Jersey City has decreased \$45.87,

and falls short \$170.92 of its quota. New Brunswick sends \$26.74 less than last year, and comes \$387.16 short of its quota; but \$650 of individual contributions sought for the purpose of bringing up its quota enables the Presbytery to report the entire sum raised.

The Treasurer has paid out \$14,049.18. For the first time in the history of this work the Treasurer has been able to pay every demand made upon him during the year without borrowing a dollar. This is largely due to contributions from the Presbytery of Newark sent early in the fiscal year. Your Committee are not interested in having even a small balance in the bank, but are constantly and deeply solicitous to have the Treasurer in possession of enough funds to pay the hard-earned and richly-merited salaries of our ministers and missionaries. It may be well to remind the Synod that it is usually on the 1st of January and the 1st of July that the treasury is the lowest. We start the year in October with a sufficient sum to pay present demands, and the 1st of April usually brings a large sum to the fund. Pastors still need to be urged to send in the contributions as early in the year as possible.

During the past year 73 churches and mission stations have been aided by Synod. With a mission field relatively larger than either New York or Pennsylvania, it is a matter for thanksgiving that it has been so perfectly and faithfully supplied. To quite a number of these churches have been given precious revivals of religion, and several have made progress toward self-support. This is the goal to which the Committee are pressing matters, but not every church can reach it. At least three churches that have been aided no longer ask for help. These are Westminster Church Phillipsburg; Hope, of Monmouth, and Knox Church, Newark. This point has been reached by these churches only after great difficulty, with heavy burdens still pressing upon the congregations. All honor to them! Hopewell has built a manse. To the church at Atlantic Highlands has been given a lot for a manse by one who has recently united with that church on confession. The executors of the estate of the late Rev. E. J. Pierce have bought a lot at Farmingdale and propose erecting a manse. New churches have been organized at Bridgeton and at Lake View, Paterson. The mission at Dundee, Passaic, has also become a church. In its building a service for Slavs is carried on by a student from Bloomfield. This is virtually a mission to those people in that place. Thus the good work goes on. The Presbytery of Newark has a very interesting work among the 20,000 Italians of that city. The Rev. Mr. Pesaturo has been permitted to receive 100 of these people into the Presbyterian Church. The Presbytery of West Jersey has begun a most interesting and successful work among a colony of Italians<sup>o</sup> who are in the fruit-growing business near Hammonton. This is under the care of Mr. Giacomo Mageri. Jersey City Presbytery is being pressed with increasing responsibility for the work within its bounds and comes to Synod

asking for a larger appropriation. Will the Synod say to the brethren of the different Presbyteries, "Go forward!"

The Committee recommend :

1. That Synod ask Elmer Ewing Green, Esq., to accept its heartiest thanks for his services as Treasurer of this fund, and invite him to serve another year.

2. That Synod continue the rate per member adopted last year, and ask the Presbyteries to contribute as follows :

Presbytery of Elizabeth . . . . .	\$2,573 40
"    Jersey City, . . . . .	1,529 50
"    Monmouth, . . . . .	1,193 80
"    Morris and Orange, . . . . .	2,670 30
"    Newark, . . . . .	2,772 63
"    New Brunswick, . . . . .	2,263 68
"    Newton, . . . . .	1,171 40
"    West Jersey, . . . . .	1,275 20
	\$15,449 91

3. That allotments be made to Presbyteries as follows, viz. :

Presbytery of Elizabeth, . . . . .	\$300 00
"    Jersey City, . . . . .	2,500 00
"    Monmouth, . . . . .	4,000 00
"    Morris and Orange, . . . . .	1,650 00
"    Newark, . . . . .	1,600 00
"    New Brunswick, . . . . .	838 00
"    Newton, . . . . .	800 00
"    West Jersey, . . . . .	4,000 00
	\$15,688 00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN DIXON,  
*Chairman.*

The Committee also recommend, in view of the increasing needs of the work among foreign populations within the bounds of the Presbyteries of Jersey City and West Jersey, that a supplementary allotment of \$200 be made to each of these Presbyteries.

#### IV.—REPORT OF TREASURER OF SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

*To the Synod of New Jersey :*

Your Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions respectfully presents the following report :

Having accepted for the sixth time an election to office for the term of one year, the writer, acknowledging himself to be subject to your control, as according to the Plan he is, and of right he ought to be, now makes known to you how he has performed the duties of his office during the term.

Your Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions having determined that fifteen thousand, one hundred and thirty-seven dollars and twenty-five cents would be needed for the year's work, and having fairly apportioned this sum among the several Presbyteries, their recommendations were by you adopted a year ago, and became the measure of our just expectations. The apportionment is more particularly called to your remembrance by Schedule 1, hereunder written and making part of this report.

Of the sum thus asked for and expected, there have come to the hands of the writer, during the year, from thirty churches within the bounds of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, two thousand, one hundred and fifty-one dollars and fifty-seven cents; from twenty-six churches within the Presbytery of Jersey City, one thousand, three hundred and sixty-seven dollars and eight cents; from forty-six churches within the Presbytery of Monmouth, one thousand, one hundred and forty-five dollars and seventy-eight cents; from forty-three churches within the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, two thousand, seven hundred and seventy-four dollars and thirty-eight cents; from twenty-six churches within the Presbytery of Newark, two thousand, four hundred and forty-four dollars and sixty-three cents; from thirty-four churches within the Presbytery of New Brunswick, one thousand, eight hundred and fifty-seven dollars and thirty-five cents; from thirty churches within the Presbytery of Newton, one thousand and sixty-three dollars and thirty-six cents; and from forty-seven churches within the Presbytery of West Jersey, one thousand, three hundred and forty-two dollars and thirty-two cents. Besides these sums, there have been received from individual donors, six hundred and fifty-six dollars, of which two hundred dollars were given for the credit of the Presbytery of New Brunswick. The Presbytery of Morris and Orange returned to the treasury fifty-five dollars and four cents, an unused appropriation for temporary supplies; and a minister within the Presbytery of Newton returned twenty-five dollars, drawn from the treasury through a mistake. In Schedule 3 hereunder written, the receipts for the work are fully set forth and classified in the manner which

has become well understood ; and to this schedule the writer now refers.

The whole amount of new contributions, fourteen thousand, eight hundred and two dollars and forty-seven cents, while not so great as was desired, is nevertheless large and gratifying. It exceeds the amount of like contributions in any preceding year, and has been sufficient for the demands of our work.

The writer records with pleasure that there has been a manifest effort to comply with your recommendation of two successive years, that churches take up their collections and forward them to the Treasurer as early in the fiscal year as possible. The treasury has been so supplied that no debt has been incurred or embarrassment felt at any time during the year. On the other hand, the writer yields with some misgivings to the requests of the Presbyteries of Elizabeth and Monmouth to make mention of the fact that, in accordance with the several actions of these Presbyteries since the close of the last year, moneys have been raised and given by churches within their respective borders, which, if they had been given before the close of the year, would have made the receipts from these Presbyteries equal to the sums asked from them respectively. It must be remembered that the moneys so raised will necessarily be entered in the accounts of the new year, and will swell the figures to be reported at the sitting of Synod, which will be in October, eighteen hundred and ninety-three. Hence, credit for these moneys ought not to be given mentally, as it cannot numerically, in the work of both years.

Your Permanent Committee, having further determined that varying sums, reaching in the whole fifteen thousand, two hundred and fifty-one dollars, might properly be allotted to the several Presbyteries for the year's work, their recommendations on this head also were adopted by you, and the same were duly certified to the writer by your Stated Clerk. The allotment is particularly recalled to mind in Schedule 2, hereunder written and making part of this report.

From sums allotted to the several Presbyteries, and subject to their authority, the writer has during the past year paid out for the salaries of ministers or missionaries within the Presbytery of Elizabeth, three hundred dollars ; for the salaries of ministers or missionaries within the Presbytery of Jersey City, one thousand, five hundred and thirty-nine dollars ; for the salaries of ministers or missionaries within the Presbytery of Monmouth (the salary of the Presbyterial Missionary being included), three thousand, six hundred and ninety dollars and sixty cents ; for the salaries of ministers or missionaries within the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, one thousand, one hundred and ninety-three dollars ; for the salaries of ministers or missionaries within the Presbytery of Newark, one thousand, six hundred and ten dollars ; for the salaries of ministers



or missionaries within the Presbytery of New Brunswick, eight hundred and eighty-five dollars and twenty-one cents; for the salaries of ministers or missionaries within the Presbytery of Newton, seven hundred and ninety dollars; and for the salaries of ministers or missionaries within the Presbytery of West Jersey (the salary of the Presbyterial Missionary being included), three thousand, nine hundred and twenty-seven dollars and ninety-six cents. For stationery and printing, the writer has expended twenty-four dollars and twenty-five cents; for the publication of the receipts in *The Church at Home and Abroad*, sixteen dollars and fifty-three cents; for postage, twenty-nine dollars and seventy-five cents; and for the actual and necessary expenses of the members of your Permanent Committee, forty-two dollars and eighty-eight cents. All of the disbursements reach the sum total of fourteen thousand and forty-nine dollars and eighteen cents, leaving a balance of four thousand, nine hundred and seventy-four dollars and twenty five cents to be carried to the new fiscal year. The names of the ministers or missionaries, their fields of labor, and the sums of money paid to them, are set out in Subdivision 1 of Schedule 5, hereunder written; and the expenses of administration are set out in Subdivision 2 of the same. To this schedule the writer now refers.

At first sight the unexpended balance may seem large and may lead to some surmises that the sum needed to carry on the work has been overestimated. A little reflection will show that this is not a fact. About two-thirds of the balance are solemnly pledged for the payment for services already performed, and the remaining third, with the moderate receipts of the first quarter of the new year, will barely suffice to meet the payments which will fall due in January, eighteen hundred and ninety-three.

Of Schedules 4 and 6, hereunder written, and the Summary of Account, the nature and object of which should now be understood, the writer makes bare mention; and, in the way of recommendations, contents himself with one,—and that, rather a suggestion. From inquiries that have been made of him in the years that are past, and from his own reflection, he has become convinced that interest in the work of Synodical Home Missions would be increased, and intelligent action in behalf of the cause would be promoted by the existence of a complete and accessible list of the mission-fields within the borders of the Synod. Such a list the writer has, more than once, made up; but, as he has worked without your express direction, his roll may have been wanting both in authenticity and completeness. Suggesting that there ought to be such a roll, that it should be accessible to all who may, with propriety, seek information, and that a tender regard for persons and places receiving aid from the fund may require that it should be kept out of print, the writer leaves it wholly to your wisdom to determine at what

time, by what person and by what method the list shall first be made and thereafter revised.

All these matters and things are respectfully submitted this nineteenth day of October, eighteen hundred and ninety-two.

ELMER EWING GREEN,

*Treasurer.*

#### SCHEDULE I.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

Contributions sought for the work of Synodical Home Missions for the year ending October 1st, 1892 :

From the Presbytery of Elizabeth, . . . . .	\$2,405 40
“ Presbytery of Jersey City, . . . . .	1,538 00
“ Presbytery of Monmouth, . . . . .	1,227 00
“ Presbytery of Morris and Orange, . . . . .	2,607 30
“ Presbytery of Newark, . . . . .	2,654 64
“ Presbytery of New Brunswick, . . . . .	2,244 51
“ Presbytery of Newton, . . . . .	1,180 20
“ Presbytery of West Jersey, . . . . .	1,280 20
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	\$15,137 25

#### SCHEDULE 2.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

Sums allotted for use in the work of Synodical Home Missions for the year ending October 1st, 1892 :

To the Presbytery of Elizabeth, . . . . .	\$300 00
“ Presbytery of Jersey City, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Presbytery of Monmouth, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Presbytery of Morris and Orange, . . . . .	1,676 00
“ Presbytery of Newark, . . . . .	1,700 00
“ Presbytery of New Brunswick, . . . . .	925 00
“ Presbytery of Newton, . . . . .	850 00
“ Presbytery of West Jersey, . . . . .	3,800 00
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	\$15,251 00



SCHEDULE 3.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

*Contributions to the work of Synodical Home Missions during the year ending October 1st, 1892.*

FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.	Congregations.	Sabbath Schools.	Societies.	FROM INDIVIDUALS.	Congregations.	Sabbath Schools.	Societies.
Basking Ridge, . . . . .	\$71 10			" H. and B.," of Elizabeth Presbytery, . . . . .	\$6 00		
Bayonne City, First, . . . . .	25 00			FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.			
Bethlehem (Sidney), . . . . .	17 86			Arlington, . . . . .	\$3 87		\$15 00
Clarksville (Glen Gardner), . . . . .	75 00			Avondale, . . . . .			
Clinton, . . . . .	40 00			Carlstadt, German Evangelical, . . . . .	12 00		
Connecticut Farms, . . . . .	62 70			" Woodbridge Chapel, . . . . .			
Cranford, . . . . .				Claremont, . . . . .	206 00		
Dunellen, . . . . .	127 50	\$160 00	\$25 00	Dundee, . . . . .			
Elizabeth, 1st, . . . . .				" Englewood, . . . . .			
" 2d, . . . . .	115 00			Calvary Chapel, . . . . .			
" 3d, . . . . .	10 00			Garfield, . . . . .	15 00		
" 1st, German, . . . . .	10 00			Hackensack, . . . . .	7 00		
" Madison Ave., . . . . .				Hoboken, . . . . .			
" Marshall St., . . . . .	75 82			" Bethesda Chapel, . . . . .			
" Siloam, . . . . .	5 00			Jersey City, 1st, . . . . .	71 32		
" Westminster, . . . . .	180 00			" 2d, . . . . .	36 00		
Lamington, . . . . .	64 50			" John Knox, . . . . .	9 00		
Liberty Corner, . . . . .	30 00			" Scotch, . . . . .	25 00	\$27 19	
Lower Valley (Califon), . . . . .	95 00			" Westminster, . . . . .			
Maurers, German, . . . . .	34 55		45 00	Kingsland Mission Chapel, . . . . .	25 00		
Metuchen, . . . . .	75 00			Newfoundland, . . . . .	7 33		
Perth Amboy, . . . . .	74 47			Norwood, . . . . .	21 65	52 48	
Plainfield, 1st, . . . . .	237 33			Passaic, 1st, . . . . .	10 00		
" Crescent Ave., . . . . .	13 28			" German Evangelical, . . . . .	94 06		
" Bethel Chapel, . . . . .	24 39			Paterson, 1st, . . . . .	241 19		
" Hope Chapel, . . . . .	50 00			" 2d, . . . . .			
Pluckamin, . . . . .	50 00			" Lakeview Chapel, . . . . .			
Rahway, 1st, . . . . .	140 00			" Madison Avenue Chapel, . . . . .			
" 2d, . . . . .	3 00			" 3d, . . . . .	7 63		
" 1st, German, . . . . .	60 75			1st, German, . . . . .	17 00		
Roselle, . . . . .	50 00			" Broadway, German, . . . . .	26 00	1 00	
Springfield, . . . . .	108 00			" Church of the Redeemer, . . . . .	125 00		
Westfield, . . . . .	50 32						
Woodbridge, . . . . .							

	Cong.	S. S.	Soc.		Cong.	S. S.	Soc.
Paterson, East Side, . . . . .	\$28 00			Mount Holly, . . . . .	\$14 20		
" " Westminster, . . . . .	68 34	\$50 00		New Greens, . . . . .	15 00		
Rutherford, . . . . .	22 00			Ocean Beach (Belmar), . . . . .	27 50		
Lyndhurst Chapel, . . . . .	2 00			Oceanic, . . . . .	14 00		
Tenafly, . . . . .	111 00			Perrineville, . . . . .	4 00		
Weehawken, . . . . .	30 02			Plattsburg, . . . . .	3 00		
West Hoboken, . . . . .				Plumstead (New Egypt), . . . . .	10 00		
Chapel, . . . . .				Point Pleasant, . . . . .	37 30		
West Milford, . . . . .				Red Bank, . . . . .	18 40		
FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH.				Riverton, Calvary, . . . . .	15 00		
Allenstown, . . . . .	56 00			Sayreville, German, . . . . .	2 10		
Asbury Park, 1st, . . . . .	28 00			Shawangung, . . . . .	27 00		
Westminster, . . . . .	10 00			Shrewsbury, . . . . .	15 00		
Atlantic Highlands, . . . . .	10 00			South Amboy, . . . . .	24 00		
Barnegat, . . . . .	48 37			Tennent, . . . . .	10 03		
Beverly, . . . . .	6 69	19 31		Tom's River, . . . . .	11 40		
Bordentown, . . . . .	62 00			Tuckerton, . . . . .			
Burlington, . . . . .	10 40			Whiting, . . . . .			
Bustleton, Providence, . . . . .	10 00			FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE.			
Columbus, . . . . .	81 60			Berkshire Valley, . . . . .	4 00		
Cranbury, 1st, . . . . .	61 00			Bocouton, . . . . .	50 00		
2d, . . . . .	6 00			Chatham, . . . . .	59 55		
Cream Ridge, . . . . .	12 00			Chester, . . . . .	10 00	5 00	\$25 00
Delanco, . . . . .	10 00			Dover, . . . . .	123 47		
Englishtown, . . . . .	6 60			" " Welsh, . . . . .	6 00		
Farmingdale, . . . . .	69 51			East Orange, First, . . . . .	216 51		
Forked River, . . . . .	37 15			" " Elmwood Chapel, . . . . .	25 00		
Freehold, 1st, . . . . .	11 00	5 85		" " Bethel, . . . . .	21 54		
Hightstown, . . . . .	7 00			" " Brick, . . . . .	220 00		
Holmanville, . . . . .	8 40			Fairmount, . . . . .	1 60		
Hope, . . . . .	85 00			Flanders, . . . . .	25 00		
Jacksonville, . . . . .	14 00			German Valley, . . . . .	80 00		
Jamesburg, . . . . .	30 00			Hanover, 1st, . . . . .	152 85		
Keyport, . . . . .	20 00			Madison, . . . . .	68 70		
Lakewood, . . . . .	46 00			Mendham, 1st, . . . . .	19 00		
Long Branch, . . . . .	32 60			" " 2d, . . . . .	11 00		
Manalapan, . . . . .	7 00			Mine Hill, . . . . .	16 00		
Manasquan, . . . . .	45 00			Morris Plains, . . . . .	250 00		
Manchester, . . . . .	16 00			Morristown, 1st, . . . . .	225 00		
Matawan, . . . . .				" " South Street, . . . . .			
Moorestown, . . . . .							

Mount Freedom, . . . . .	\$1 00
Mount Olive, . . . . .	12 00
Myersville, German, . . . . .	11 00
New Providence, . . . . .	8 00
New Vernon, . . . . .	15 22
Orange, 1st, . . . . .	250 00
“ Central, . . . . .	255 00
“ German, . . . . .	10 00
“ Hillside, . . . . .	78 60
“ St. Cloud, . . . . .	36 00
Orange Valley German, . . . . .	11 17
Parappany, . . . . .	10 00
Pleasantdale, German, . . . . .	23 60
Rockaway, . . . . .	104 25
Schoolley's Mountain, . . . . .	20 00
South Orange, . . . . .	28 84
“ Trinity, . . . . .	38 70
Stirling, . . . . .	3 00
Succasuna, . . . . .	15 00
Summit Central, . . . . .	178 37
Whippany, . . . . .	18 87
Wyoming, . . . . .	10 14

\$6 00

Newark, Calvary, . . . . .	\$40 00
“ Central, . . . . .	80 00
“ Fewsmitth Memorial, . . . . .	35 00
“ Fifth Avenue, . . . . .	33 75
“ High Street, . . . . .	125 00
“ Memorial, . . . . .	50 00
“ North Park, . . . . .	100 00
“ Park, . . . . .	20 00
“ Plane Street, . . . . .	200 00
“ Roseville, . . . . .	281 00
“ South Park, . . . . .	62 00
“ Wickliffe, . . . . .	32 94
“ Woodside, . . . . .	
Roseland, . . . . .	

\$14 00

FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Alexandria, 1st, . . . . .	7 00
Amwell, 1st (Reaville), . . . . .	11 00
“ 2d (Mt. Airy), . . . . .	22 41
“ United 1st (Ringoes), . . . . .	5 50
Bound Brook, . . . . .	35 00
Dayton, . . . . .	40 54
Dutch Neck, . . . . .	40 00
Ewing, . . . . .	35 00
Flemington, . . . . .	120 00
Frenchtown, . . . . .	27 52
Hamilton Square, . . . . .	15 87
Holland, . . . . .	10 00
Hopewell, . . . . .	26 00
Kingston, . . . . .	30 00
Kingwood, . . . . .	2 00
Lambertville, . . . . .	45 00
Lawrenceville, . . . . .	50 00
Milford, . . . . .	25 00
New Brunswick, 1st, . . . . .	195 15
“ 2d, . . . . .	
Pennington, . . . . .	40 22
Princeton, 1st, . . . . .	93 77
“ 2d, . . . . .	37 12
“ Witherspoon St., . . . . .	1 00
Ringoes, Kirkpatrick Memorial, . . . . .	8 00
Stockton, . . . . .	15 00
Titusville, . . . . .	29 00

FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.

Bloomfield, 1st, . . . . .	175 00
“ German, . . . . .	
“ Westminster, . . . . .	70 00
Caldwell, . . . . .	121 00
East Newark, Knox (Kearney), . . . . .	
Lyon's Farms, . . . . .	9 00
Montclair, 1st, . . . . .	90 00
“ Grace, . . . . .	
“ Trinity, . . . . .	70 00
Newark, 1st, . . . . .	265 00
“ 2d, . . . . .	255 00
“ 3d, . . . . .	230 00
“ 6th, . . . . .	30 00
“ 1st German, . . . . .	24 94
“ 2d, . . . . .	15 00
“ 3d, . . . . .	20 00
“ 1st Italian, . . . . .	
“ Bethany, . . . . .	20 00

	Cong.	S. S.	Soc	Cong.	S. S.	Soc.
Trenton, 1st, . . . . .	\$397 69					
" 1st, Chapel, . . . . .	5 00					
" 2d, . . . . .	24 00					
" 3d, . . . . .	127 00					
" 4th, . . . . .	150 00				\$13 56	
" 5th, . . . . .	25 00					
" Bethany, . . . . .	50 00					
" Prospect St., . . . . .	185 00					
FROM INDIVIDUALS.						
A friend, for credit of New Brunswick Presbytery, . . . . .						
Frank L. Janeway, of New Brunswick 1st Church, . . . . .	\$200 00					
A member of the 1st Church, Trenton, . . . . .	\$250 00					
The Treasurer, . . . . .	150 00					
						50 00
FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON.						
Andover, . . . . .						
Asbury, . . . . .	8 00					
Beattystown, . . . . .	75 00					
Belvidere, 1st, . . . . .	5 00					
" 2d, . . . . .	64 00					
Blairstown, . . . . .	34 00					
Bloomsbury, . . . . .	112 81					
Branchville, . . . . .	9 49					
Danville, . . . . .	20 00					
Deckertown, . . . . .	24 00					
Delaware, . . . . .	30 00					
Greenwich, . . . . .	15 00					
Hackettstown, . . . . .	125 00					
Harmony, . . . . .	13 07					
Hope, . . . . .	8 60					
Johnsburg, Yellow Frame, . . . . .						
Knowlton, . . . . .						
Lafayette, . . . . .	16 00					
Mansfield, 2d, . . . . .	10 00					
Marshboro, . . . . .	7 00					
Montana, . . . . .						
FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.						
Absecon, . . . . .	5 00					
Atco, . . . . .	10 00				4 56	
Atlantic City, 1st, . . . . .	36 00				24 55	
" German, . . . . .	6 10					
Berlin, . . . . .	1 77					
Billingsport, . . . . .	11 31					
Blackwoodtown, . . . . .	18 00					
Bridgeton, 1st, . . . . .	70 00					
" 2d, . . . . .	92 80					
" 4th, . . . . .	5 00					
" West, . . . . .	139 00					
Bunker Hill, . . . . .	5 00					
Camden, 1st, . . . . .	122 60				6 56	\$15 00
" 1st, Central Miss., . . . . .						
" 1st, Woodland Avenue Miss., . . . . .						
" 2d, . . . . .						
" 3d, . . . . .						
" Liberty Park German, . . . . .						
Cape Island, . . . . .	7 21				30 00	5 00
Cedarville, 1st, . . . . .	8 00					
" Osborn Memorial, . . . . .	40 00					
Clayton, . . . . .						

	\$15 00	\$2 00	\$5 50		\$30 00	\$8 00	\$30 00
Cold Springs, . . . . .				Mays Landing, . . . . .	7 00		\$30 00
Cramer's Hill Mission Chapel, . . . . .	35 00			Merchantville, . . . . .	9 45		7 00
Deerfield, . . . . .	20 00	2 00		Millville, . . . . .	30 00	12 00	30 00
Elmer, . . . . .	13 00	2 00	\$5 50	Pittsgrove, . . . . .	7 00		7 00
Elwood, Brainerd, . . . . .	4 00	2 00		Pleasantville, . . . . .	50 00	25 11	20 00
Fairfield, . . . . .	8 00			Salem, . . . . .	24 28		24 28
Glassboro, . . . . .	17 00			Swedesboro, . . . . .	6 00	2 50	6 00
Gloucester City, . . . . .	6 00			Tuckahoe, . . . . .	30 00		30 00
Green Creek, . . . . .	16 38	4 75		Vineland, . . . . .	1 51	2 54	1 51
Greenwich, . . . . .	31 00			Waterford, . . . . .	40 00		40 00
Haddonfield, . . . . .	35 10			Wenonah, . . . . .	20 00	4 70	20 00
Hammon, . . . . .				Williamstown, . . . . .	26 12		26 12
Holly Beach Mission, . . . . .	3 75	2 20		Woodbury, . . . . .	8 00		8 00
Janvier, . . . . .	7 80			Woodstown, . . . . .			
Jericho, . . . . .	1 00						
Lead's Point, . . . . .							
					13415 55	\$531 42	\$199 50

UNUSED APPROPRIATION RETURNED AGREEABLY TO ART. V., PL. 5, OF THE PLAN.

By the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, . . . . . \$55 04  
 MONEY ERRONEOUSLY DRAWN IN JULY, 1891, AND OCTOBER, 1891, AND RETURNED.

By Rev. S. N. Hutchison, . . . . . \$25 00

## SCHEDULE 4.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

*Contributions by Presbyteries, during the fifth and sixth years, compared.*

PRESBYTERY.	Number of Churches giving in		Increase or Decrease.	Gifts in		Increase or Decrease.
	1890-1.	1891-2.		1890-1.	1891-2.	
Elizabeth, . . . . .	31	30	D 1	\$2276 02	†\$2151 57	D\$124 45
Jersey City, . . . . .	30	26	D 4	1412 95	1367 08	D45 87
Monmouth, . . . . .	46	46	. . .	1093 79	1145 78	51 99
Morris and Orange, . . . . .	41	43	2	2548 81	2774 38	225 57
Newark, . . . . .	23	26	3	1843 44	2444 63	601 19
New Brunswick, . . . . .	35	34	D 1	*\$1984 09	†2057 35	73 26
Newton, . . . . .	23	30	7	819 33	1063 36	244 03
West Jersey, . . . . .	50	47	D 3	1323 05	1342 32	19 27

‡ Of this sum \$100 were privately contributed for the credit of the Presbytery.

\* One person, a member of a church within this Presbytery, contributed the further sum of \$200.

† "H. and B.," members of churches within this Presbytery, contributed the further sum of \$6.00.

‡ Of this sum \$200 were privately contributed for the credit of the Presbytery.

† Three persons, members of churches within this Presbytery, contributed the further sum of \$450.

## SCHEDULE 6.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

*Payments on account of appropriations for services, made during the fifth and sixth years, compared by Presbyteries.*

PRESBYTERY.	No. of Churches, etc., where aid was received.		Increase or Decrease.	Payments in		Increase or Decrease.
	1890-1.	1891-2.		1890-1.	1891-2.	
Elizabeth, . . . . .	1	1	. . . . .	\$300 00	\$300 00	. . . . .
Jersey City, . . . . .	8	8	. . . . .	1992 75	1539 00	D\$453 75
Monmouth, . . . . .	19	19	. . . . .	*3822 68	*3690 60	D132 08
Morris and Orange, . . . . .	8	7	D 1	1622 25	1103 00	D 429 25
Newark, . . . . .	5	4	D 1	1316 66	1610 00	293 34
New Brunswick, . . . . .	4	5	1	544 25	885 21	340 96
Newton, . . . . .	6	7	1	675 00	790 00	115 00
West Jersey, . . . . .	20	21	1	*3633 47	*3927 96	294 49

\* These sums include the salaries of the Presbyterial Missionary.

## SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT

*For the year ending October 1st, 1892.*

## DR.

To balance from last year, . . . . .	\$4,140 92
“ unused appropriation returned, . . . . .	55 04
“ money erroneously drawn and returned, . . . . .	25 00
“ contributions during the year—	
From congregations, . . . . .	13,415 55
Sabbath-schools, . . . . .	531 42
Societies, . . . . .	199 50
individuals, . . . . .	656 00
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	14,802 47
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	\$19,023 43

## CR.

By payments for services of ministers or missionaries, \$13,935 77	
“ “ “ printing, postage, traveling and other expenses, . . . . .	113 41
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	\$14,049 18
Balance to next year, . . . . .	4,974 25
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	\$19,023 43

ELMER EWING GREEN,  
*Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct.

JAS. P. DUSENBERRY,  
ROBERT M. HUNTING,  
JOHN C. CLYDE,  
G. W. TOMSON.

## ADDENDUM

*For the time between October 1st, 1892, and October 19th, 1892.*

## DR.

To balance as above, . . . . .	\$4,974 25
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## CR.

By amount of orders presented and paid, . . . . .	\$2,194 74
“ amount of orders presented and not paid, . . . . .	1,196 50
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	\$3,391 24
Balance subject to the control of Synod, . . . . .	1,583 01
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	\$4,974 25

ELMER EWING GREEN,  
*Treasurer.*

## V.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON WORK AMONG FOREIGN POPULATIONS.

Your Committee on Work among Foreign Populations would respectfully submit the following :

We regret that, for various reasons, we can at this time merely "report progress," with the confident hope, however, that the coming year will show more definite and enlarged results.

Work among the Germans has become, through the Theological School at Bloomfield, and the several German churches connected with our Presbyteries, a constituent part of Synod's jurisdiction. We gratefully recognize the steady and increasing labors of our German brethren, and bid them God speed in the work they are doing.

The term "Foreign Populations," or more exactly "Exceptional Populations," more strictly includes the rapidly increasing numbers of Italians, Russians, Slavs, Jews and the like, who are forming settlements in various parts of our State, and who can be reached with the Gospel, if reached at all, only by special and exceptional methods.

This question has for several years engaged the attention and profound interest of the Presbytery of West Jersey particularly, within whose bounds several of these peoples are found in exceptional numbers. In December of last year, this Presbytery adopted the following resolution, viz.: "To organize in each of its counties an Evangelistic Alliance, to prosecute the work of evangelization and church extension throughout its whole territory." This "Alliance," composed of the Minister and one Ruling Elder from each of its churches, has been at work with gratifying results. We call special attention to the work of West Jersey Presbytery because of the following facts:—New Italy, Tuckahoe, Vineland, Hammonton and other vicinities have become, in the providence of God, centers of constantly increasing numbers of Italians. Next in importance and rapidly growing to an over-shadowing extent, are the Jewish settlements in South Jersey. Writes one who has full knowledge of the facts: "Besides the older Jewish settlement at Rosenhayn, in Cumberland county, the Hebrews are coming rapidly and have two new settlements in Atlantic county—Mizpah and Reega on the West Jersey Railroad, and two in Cape May county. Besides clearing the land, these Jews have factories for making clothing." "The Atlantic County Bible Society has a Committee on Foreign Populations, but no funds in its treasury." All these places are within the bounds of the Presbytery of West Jersey. Other Presbyteries are confronted with the same problem—how to reach these exceptional peoples. The Presbytery of Jersey City has just been called upon to provide a gospel ministry for a large congregation of



Slavs in Passaic, who have applied for a preacher. In Newark gratifying work is being done among the Italians in that city, a church having been recently organized for this people. In view of these facts and the urgent need for immediate effort your Committee submit the following recommendations :

1. That the Synod earnestly calls the attention of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to the foreign populations within our bounds, and requests that in their wisdom and zeal they devise ways and means for evangelizing these "exceptional populations," as far as it lies in their power.

2. That the Presbyteries within whose bounds "exceptional populations," such as Italians, Russians, Jews and others, are found, make special, and if practicable, some organized effort to reach these people, either by the distribution of Bibles and tracts through their respective County Bible Societies, or by the appointment of an Evangelistic Committee, to whose oversight shall be given such effort, or through the Standing Committee on Home Missions of the respective Presbyteries.

3. That Synod instruct its Committee on Synodical Home Missions to consider the feasibility of making special appropriations for missionary work among foreign populations, to such Presbyteries as have begun or shall inaugurate a systematic effort in this direction.

4. That Synod heartily commends the action of the Presbyteries of Newark, Jersey City and West Jersey in their efforts to bring the gospel to their foreign peoples.

ALBERT ERDMAN,  
*Chairman.*

## VI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON UNEMPLOYED MINISTERS AND VACANT CHURCHES.

The Committee on Unemployed Ministers and Vacant Churches would respectfully report that for the last four or five years this Committee has been little more than a compiler of statistics. The chaotic condition of the whole matter in the attempt to establish a new and more perfect system of vacancy and supply adjustment, is painfully apparent. There was probably never a time when so little Presbyterial oversight of the vacant church and the unemployed minister was exercised. The pending overture from the last General Assembly, together with the interest which has been developed in the Synod, on the subject of the Instability of the Pastorate, suggests that a crisis has been reached in this tremendously important matter. Your Committee would therefore recommend that the Synod urge upon the Presbyteries to give the pending overture their most serious and careful attention.

The following tables will show the number of ministers and churches connected with the Synod of New Jersey as presented in the Minutes of the General Assembly for 1892 :

Whole number of ministers, . . . . .	389
Of these there are—	
Pastors, . . . . .	228
Stated supplies, . . . . .	19
Without charge, . . . . .	34
Pastors elect and <i>in transitu</i> , . . . . .	7
In other departments of church work, * . . . .	101
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There are 21 licentiates and 94 candidates for the ministry.	
Whole number of churches, . . . . .	303
With pastors, . . . . .	235
“ stated supplies, . . . . .	37
“ pastors elect, . . . . .	10
Vacant churches, . . . . .	21
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There are also reported 15 chapels.

A comparison of the number of ministers and churches for the last four years is appended.

1889, whole number ministers, 383 ; churches, 295.
1890, “ “ “ 392 ; “ 293.
1891, “ “ “ 388 ; “ 295.
1892, “ “ “ 389 ; “ 303.

J. R. FISHER,  
*Chairman.*

\* Foreign missionaries, 16; honorably retired, 17; chapel ministers, 4; teachers, 3; pastor emeritus, 1; editor, 1; evangelists, 14; secretaries, 4; assistant pastors, 3; chaplains, 2; professors, 16; presidents, principals, head masters, &c., 10; undesignated, 7.

VII. — FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF HOME  
MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The receipts during the year ending March 31st, 1892, paid to the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions, are as follows :

Presbyteries.	Value of boxes.	Money.	Total for each Society.
Elizabeth, . . . . .	\$2,004 25	\$4,716 85	\$6,721 10
Jersey City, . . . . .	1,218 83	1,346 63	2,565 46
Monmouth, . . . . .	1,023 99	1,399 04	2,423 03
Morris and Orange, . . . . .	6,500 01	2,937 96	9,437 97
Newark, . . . . .	2,810 42	1,673 28	4,483 70
New Brunswick, . . . . .	2,485 80	2,142 03	4,627 83
Newton, . . . . .	1,583 27	1,396 03	1,979 30
West Jersey, . . . . .	1,539 66	1,027 23	2,566 89
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	\$18,166 23	\$16,639 05	\$34,805 28

In addition to this \$2,422 80 has been sent to the Woman's Executive Committee without passing through the Presbyterian Treasurers.

In comparing the record of this year with the previous one there is found to be an increase of 758 members, 17 societies and 4 bands. There has been a gain in amount contributed to General Fund, Teachers' Salaries and in the total paid to the Woman's Executive Committee. As the amount of information circulated has a direct bearing upon the future prospects of any society, encouragement is to be found in the fact that there are 105 more *Home Mission Monthlies* taken than in the previous year.

The Synodical Society of New Jersey has for several years asked its Auxiliaries to make special gifts beyond their pledges, for some special work, such as building a chapel, school-house or erecting a hospital, etc. This year there was a change made, and every Auxiliary was requested to aim for a 20 per cent. advance, according to the recommendation of the Woman's Executive Committee at the annual meeting in Detroit. Leaflets were issued and mailed to every society within its bounds during the fall. The response has been very gratifying, as nearly 12 per cent. increase has been reported. This money has been devoted to the completion of chapel school-houses at La Luz and Las Valles, in New Mexico, where, in the midst of Romish ignorance and superstition, a few have become Protestants, and there is an opening for the teaching of the gospel. Work has been commenced on these chapel school-houses; the roof was on the former and floor down early in August, and it was expected to be ready for use by the middle of September. It is

anticipated that a comfortable building will greatly increase the size and efficiency of this mission.

At Las Valles there are some eighty children, almost all of Presbyterian families, waiting for the completion of the building to be entered as scholars. A successful school for the poor whites at Hot Springs, N. C., will receive the salary for a much-needed teacher from this fund.

A few brief extracts upon the subject of Indian Contract Schools, from the report of the Committee to the General Assembly, may be of interest:

"They were founded originally by the different churches as 'Mission Schools,' and were, of course, sectarian. The government, instead of founding new schools, resolved to subsidize these, and so the experiment of Contract Schools was entered upon by giving a certain amount of the public money, the government, therefore, being admitted to a certain measure of control. The Roman Catholics alone received nearly \$400,000 of the little more than \$600,000 appropriated. The appropriation of public money for the support of sectarian schools is contrary to the whole genius of our institutions, and earnest efforts are now making to procure a prohibitory amendment to the Constitution of the United States. This was followed by a series of resolutions in favor of government appropriations being used exclusively in government schools."

Every year some money is sent direct to New York without passing through the hands of the different Presbyterian Treasurers. In comparing this year with the last these sums are included. Jersey City leads with an increase of 31 per cent.; Newton, 20; Elizabeth and Monmouth stand side by side at 18; West Jersey, 13; New Brunswick, 8; Newark, 2; and Morris and Orange one per cent. less than last year.

Another item of Synodical work was the issuing of a leaflet by Mrs. F. H. Pierson on "How to Interest the Young People." The formation of three new bands this year may be looked upon as the first fruits of a harvest to be gathered in the present year.

Let us now examine the work of the various Presbyterian Societies.

Elizabeth has made a very decided gain in membership, in amounts given to General Fund, Teachers' Salaries and total paid to Executive Committee. The salaries for five teachers are paid in whole or in part, the Tucson Hospital is still remembered by many Auxiliaries, whilst others give to the General Fund and thus share in the work through the length and breadth of the land. In one of the bands the activity of a little girl nine years of age secured seventy-five new members, a zeal perhaps not equalled elsewhere.

Jersey City has added three new societies and the same number of bands, a large increase in members, and more money given than

any year before ; scholarship in New Jersey Academy, salary of Miss Pond at Zuni, and scholarship in Indian Territory still continued. A band of little children sent Oxford Bibles to Centralia. A feature of one society's work is to send magazines and papers to Home Missionaries whose incomes are too limited to afford these luxuries. And the society adopts a plan of systematic giving whereby each member is expected to collect monthly one dollar from those not contributing to other Missionary Societies, in sums of five or ten cents or upwards. The working of this plan has been very encouraging.

The Presbyterian Society of Monmouth has made good progress from the record of last year, though the gain in some directions is balanced by losses in others.

The Presbyterian Society of Morris and Orange is so fully organized that we cannot expect to hear of new Auxiliaries every year, but we are sorry to find that there are three members and seven bands less ; also, that less has been given to the Building Fund, to the Freedmen and to the Executive Committee. The Secretary writes that they are working patiently and systematically ; that the work has bound hearts together in loving sympathy who were perfect strangers, so that their hearts have been enlarged and their horizon broadened.

In the Presbyterian Society of Newark there has been a large gain in the membership, some gain in the General Fund and more money contributed by Sunday-schools. Five scholarships are supported in New Mexico, one at Stanley Hall, N. C. They pay part of the salary of Miss Peck, of Spring City, Utah ; also, that of a teacher in Dr. Dorland's school at Hot Springs. Gifts in many other directions show that this Society is desirous of being helpful wherever possible.

The Presbyterian Society of New Brunswick has largely increased in members, in sums given to scholarships, Building and General Fund, but there is a decline in value of boxes, Contingent Fund and number of magazines taken. The interest in the Zuni Mission continues—in addition to the salaries of the teachers, a number of the Societies unite in an annual box. The Willard Home, in Juneau, Alaska, has received aid from several Societies ; but perhaps the best gift was from a Mission school composed of children taken from the poorest and lowest class. The cause was presented to them by the Superintendent ; they became so much interested that by saving pennies they soon had \$11.00 to give. Another item of interest is found in the fact of a busy mother using a part of her vacation in stirring up an interest in our Asheville school, and succeeding in furnishing two rooms there. This Society reports that it always has something to give by being very particular to distribute the ten-cent envelopes to each woman in the church ; they consider



each one a member of the Society by virtue of her church membership, even if she never attends a meeting, and they send her an envelope asking her to offer a prayer, while the meeting is being held. May not some other Society find a helpful suggestion in this example.

Newton, with her twenty per cent. gain, shows a decided increase in amounts given to General Fund, Freedmen and to Executive Committee.

The Presbyterial Society of West Jersey has greatly increased in membership, and many more copies of the magazine have been taken. She has been called upon to mourn the departure of a Vice-President—Miss Morris Bacon, of Greenwich. We sympathize with the Society in their loss, and trust that one of their number may fill with zeal and energy the place thus made vacant. This Society has appointed a Secretary of Literature, who makes a systematic effort to introduce the *Home Mission Monthly*, and supplies fifteen auxiliaries with the *Leaflets* monthly.

The Portland Assembly adopted the following kindly commendation of the work of the Woman's Executive Committee and its constituency :

"We might learn a useful lesson from the consecrated women of our congregations. They who were last at the cross and earliest at the grave are still nearest to Christ in their devotion. They are diffusing intelligence of missions among themselves and their children, line upon line, precept upon precept. It is a comfort to recognize their fidelity, their ardor and their zeal. The Woman's Executive Committee continues to do noble things. Twenty years ago they were almost totally unconscious of their own powers, either as missionary teachers in the wide field or as organizers of Missionary Societies in the churches. But now they are performing such feats that it is becoming a question whether we do not need male missionary organizations to make men also conscious of their hidden powers."

If our society is indeed being held up as an example to the other sex of what can be accomplished by thorough organization, united with consecration, let us not relax our efforts for one moment until every church has its society and its band, that the object lesson may be as nearly perfect as possible. Let the thought that we are working for Christ and his Church be intensified by this added motive given us by the fathers—our zeal is to be an inspiration to the whole Church. It has been the aim of our Executive Committee to tell, by leaflet or magazine, every woman in the Church of the religious destitution in our vast land, thus stimulating her to self-denial, and to the gathering up, from hamlet and town, of many little sums, which may be caused to flow at last, by regular channels and in considerable streams, into the treasury at New York. If such a

system should be adopted by our richer brethren, the sex who hold most of the wealth of the world, how rapidly the work could be extended, and we would hear no more of debt and unpaid Missionaries. Let us, with this aim in view, enter upon the work of a new year.

HETTIE F. MILLIKEN,  
*Cor. Sec.*

### VIII.—ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF HOME MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey, was held in the Second Presbyterian Church, Newark, N. J., October 13th, 1892.

The meeting opened at 2 P. M. with the usual devotional exercises led by the President, Mrs. William E. Honeyman.

Representatives from every Presbytery in the Synod responded to the roll call, Newark and Elizabeth ranking first as to numbers.

The minutes of last year's meeting were read and approved.

The President delivered an address, reviewing the work of the past year, and proposing as the special work recommended by the Woman's Executive Committee for the coming year, the raising of \$2,000 toward the \$20,000 needed to erect a Boys' Industrial School near Asheville, North Carolina.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Samuel Milliken, was read by Mrs. J. Marshall Paul. The report was accepted, adopted and ordered to be sent to Synod, together with the minutes of this meeting.

The Treasurer of the Contingent Fund, Mrs. M. E. Truax, reported all necessary expenses met and a balance in the treasury of \$43.00. The report was accepted.

A resolution that the special work for the coming year, proposed by the Woman's Executive Committee, namely, the raising of \$2,000 for the Boys' Industrial School near Asheville, N. C., be undertaken by this Society, was unanimously adopted.

An address was given by Mrs. F. H. Pierson, on "Young People's Work." \$25.00 was asked from each Presbytery for the establishment of a Boy's School, "Washington College," at Asheville, N. C.

Miss C. F. Glover, of Locust Level, N. C., gave an account of her experience as a teacher among the mountain whites, during the three years since the organization of the school (Stanley Hall).

A message, suggesting the reading of Romans 12, 5, was received from the Home Mission Society, of Roseville, by telegram. A response was sent suggesting 1st Thess., 3, 12.

The closing address was delivered by Rev. Thomas S. Nelson, D.D., of Brooklyn.

The offering followed, after which the President reported a gift from one lady present of \$100.00 towards the Boys' School at Asheville, N. C.

The resignation of Mrs. Samuel Milliken, as Corresponding Secretary, led to the following resolution :



WHEREAS, Our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Milliken, feels herself unable to continue her connection with our Society in her present official relation ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That in accepting her resignation we recognize the loss to ourselves of a most faithful and efficient officer, and that we hereby testify to her consecration and devotion in Synodical work, and our great regret in her decision.

On motion, this resolution was accepted and adopted.

The report of the Nominating Committee was accepted and adopted and the following officers elected for the ensuing year :

*President*—MRS. W. E. HONEYMAN, Plainfield.

*Vice-Presidents*—MRS. J. H. OWENS, Perth Amboy.

MRS. J. B. BEAUMONT, Morristown.

MRS. J. MARSHALL PAUL, Montclair.

MRS. CHAS. BREARLEY, Trenton.

MRS. D. C. BLAIR, Belvidere.

*Corresponding Secretary*—MRS. J. H. MANNING, Plainfield.

*Recording Secretary*—MRS. C. H. LANGDON, Elizabeth.

*Treasurer Contingent Fund*—MRS. M. E. TRUAX, Perth Amboy.

#### PRESBYTERIAL COMMITTEES.

##### ELIZABETH.

Mrs. E. B. Cobb, Elizabeth.

Mrs. W. P. Stevenson, Roselle.

Mrs. J. M. McNulty, Woodbridge.

Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, Plainfield.

Mrs. C. H. Langdon, Elizabeth.

##### JERSEY CITY.

Miss L. C. Pudney, Passaic.

Mrs. C. D. Shaw, Paterson.

Mrs. William Nichols, Hoboken.

##### MONMOUTH.

Mrs. Dr. Long, Freehold.

Mrs. H. V. Deshler, Hightstown.

Mrs. B. S. Everitt, Jamesburg.

##### MORRIS AND ORANGE.

Mrs. Robert Aikman, Madison.

Mrs. J. B. Beaumont, Morristown.

Mrs. P. A. Gile, New Brunswick.

Mrs. Albert Erdman, Morristown.

## NEWARK.

Miss Julia Halsey, Roseville.  
 Mrs. Paul Babcock, Montclair.  
 Mrs. A. V. Van Fleet, Newark.  
 Mrs. George A. Paull, Bloomfield.

## NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mrs. Chas. Brearley, Trenton.  
 Mrs. Elmer E. Green, Trenton.  
 Miss Margaret Sloan, Trenton.  
 Mrs. P. A. Studdiford, Lambertville.  
 Mrs. Nevius, Flemington.

## NEWTON.

Mrs. A. C. Van Vlick, Washington.  
 Mrs. William Morrow, Belvidere.  
 Mrs. D. C. Blair, Belvidere.  
 Mrs. William Thomson, Stewartsville.  
 Mrs. McMurtry, Newton.

## WEST JERSEY.

Miss Nellie M. Skinner, Woodbury.  
 Mrs. John M. Moore, Clayton.  
 Mrs. A. M. Reeder, Camden.

A resolution of thanks, on behalf of both the Foreign and Home Societies, for the use of the church, the interesting addresses, the music, and the excellent luncheon, was adopted.

Rahway was chosen as the place for the next meeting.

The Society then adjourned, with hymn, prayer and benediction.

MARY B. T. LANGDON,  
*Recording Secretary.*

IX.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE  
ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee offer their report with shadowed faces and with heads bowed down. Dr. Imbrie, so long the Chairman, with whom it was their privilege frequently to meet during those choice days in which he was so rapidly ripening for heaven, has left tender and loving memories of a forceful, yet most gentle, presence, and of counsel always intelligent and appropriate. They feel thankful that, in spite of his repeated insistence that some one younger and physically stronger should be chosen to their leadership, he was persuaded to continue in it until "God took him from their head." They crave "a double portion of his spirit to rest upon them."

That which most impresses your Committee in their review of the broad field of Foreign Missions is a startling contrast.

Contemplating the work in foreign lands, they behold a world opened to the gospel and every evidence of God's blessing upon the instrumentalities employed, disproportioned though they are to the ability of the Church at home.

Our Educational work was never so appreciated or so efficient. Some of our schools have "Kings for their nursing fathers, and their queens for their nursing mothers;" and in the recent past several of them have been gifted with commodious buildings and better facilities; while an increasing number of well-trained and godly youth of both sexes are going out from them to establish Christian homes, and thus, as well as by preaching and teaching, to be lights in surrounding darkness.

Our Printing-presses are producing millions of pages of Biblical and Christian literature, prepared and translated by able and laborious scholars who, with the same attainments, in our own land would be professors or *litterati*, but are known simply as "Missionaries." In spite of some vexatious restrictions (in the Turkish Empire especially), this literature is finding its way into thousands of homes, often preparing for Christian communities and churches without the presence of the missionary; and in all cases it furnishes him with invaluable tools. Just now the Christian world is interested in a new translation of the Scriptures into Chinese, in several versions, for the use of as many classes of the people, intended to supersede the present inadequate Chinese Bible, and to give to that empire of 380,000,000, comprising one-quarter of the population of the globe, a colloquial, yet elegant, rendering of God's word. There is also in press a Syriac Bible, for the inhabitants of northwestern Persia and the contiguous regions in Turkey, which is said to be the most difficult to print of all the versions yet made.

The Medical and Hospital work was never so successful or so commanding in its influence. Thousands upon thousands of suf-

fering human beings have been treated during these past years for all sorts of ailments, and have heard of the Great Healer; and, as notably in Korea, whole regions and nations have been thrown open to the medical missionary (who, in many cases, male and female, would be distinguished at home) and to those who follow in his train. God has unloosed His grim heralds, the earthquake, the famine and the pestilence, to clear the way for demonstrating not only the superiority of Western medical practice, but also the self-sacrifice of the "Jesus man;" and the "Jesus religion" finds ready entrance to hearts made grateful through unselfish kindness.

So Evangelism, by the missionaries in the pulpit, in the streets and in the schools; by female evangelists and Bible readers in the homes and among the women and children; by the physicians and nurses in the dispensaries and the hospitals; by the native preachers and helpers, of whom there are already more than 1500 in our Presbyterian missions alone; Evangelism is rapidly extending its territory and constantly widening its scope. Scarcely a year passes that does not bring tidings of revival interest in some quarters and of large accessions. Our own Corisco, last year, within its limited territory, added 30 per cent, or 290, to its membership, and contributed of its poverty \$642 to church purposes; the Laos churches, aided by famine, received 240; the fruitful Shantung Mission, in China, 760; Japan, 450; West Persia, 260. Surely "the Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad," and they who "sowed in tears" are, "reaping in joy."

Deserving of especial mention and gratitude are what may be called the diplomatic triumphs of the past year or two.

In China (be ashamed, ye civilized Christians!) in China, tabooed and insulted by our legislation in violation of treaties, missionaries have been protected, and mob violence indemnified and visited with punishment. More important still, the government has officially proclaimed that Christian missionaries are seeking the welfare of the Chinese and must be unmolested.

In the Turkish Empire a recent revival of Mohammedan intolerance, which, in addition to interfering with the issues of the press, forbade the conduct of schools in private houses, has been met with prompt protest and rendered a dead letter, at least for the present; and the offer of a large indemnity for a raid on mission premises gave the missionary opportunity to show the spirit of true religion, as contrasted with selfish diplomacy, by declining to receive more than the small fraction of the appropriation which covered the actual loss.

So much of a survey has seemed needful in order to point the contrast which the church, and your Committee, have to face. The distant side of the work of Foreign Missions is bright and hopeful; exhibiting a rapid growth and a wide expansion, accompanied with tokens of the protection and blessing of Jehovah which call for

constant thanksgiving and rejoicing. But the home side! which involves the sustenance of the schools and presses and hospitals and of the workers abroad: this is what causes both shame and anxiety. With all the swift development of the past few years upon the foreign field, the church at home has been standing almost still in the amount of her offerings.

Bear with the recital of a few figures which embody facts calling for universal attention. The year 1887-8 marked an epoch in the history of our beloved church, closing her first and beginning her second century. It was hopefully assumed that the second century of her existence was to mark a nobler development in all directions. How have we begun it in the matter of sustaining the Foreign work? The whole church:

	Gifts of Ch's, Wom. B'ds, S. S., and Y. P. Soc.	Av. per Member.	Total Av. per M.
1886-7, . . . . .	\$608,881	\$0.87	\$1 12
1887-8, . . . . .	660,175	.91	1.24
1888-9, . . . . .	620,984	.82	1.13
1889-90, . . . . .	608,068	.77	1.02
1890-1, . . . . .	721,038	.89	1.16
1891-2, . . . . .	693,658	.83	1.12

You see that the regular gifts have fallen back from the closing year of the church's first century, 4 cents a member, and including miscellaneous gifts and legacies, which may be called occasional, they are just the same as they were that year. Under the pressure of the Centennial year they advanced to \$1.24; and under the special pressure brought to bear year before last, they reached \$1.16, but fell back to the average of 1886-7 last year. This seems a poor beginning for the new century, in the face of the remarkable progress abroad and prosperity at home. The Synod of New Jersey did better than the church at large, as was to be expected:

1886-7, . . . . .	\$63,441	\$1.21	\$1.33
1887-8, . . . . .	73,200	1.36	1.50
1888-9, . . . . .	66,810	1.18	1.35
1889-90, . . . . .	69,492	1.20	1.48
1890-1, . . . . .	80,488	1.32	1.54
1891-2, . . . . .	82,015	1.32	1.53

While she has shown some progress in the main, it has not been adequate to the rapid growth of the work, nor in proportion to her increased ability, which is probably greater in proportion to her membership than that of any other Synod. It will not do for us to stand still, even if there are reverses at home, but rather to deny ourselves the more, since the work in hand is bound to make a steady advance and to require increased support, whether we at home are prosperous or not.

To meet the natural growth of the work abroad our Board of Foreign Missions has increased its appropriations at the rate of 2½

per cent. for the past four years—the very least it could do without positive retrogression—relying upon the church to meet this small advance. But in each case the result has been disappointment, and a debt has been steadily piling up, amounting to \$54,521 at the beginning of the present fiscal year. After the most painstaking effort to ascertain where economy is possible, the Board was constrained to appropriate \$975,000 for the current year, which, with the deficit, makes the obligation of the church \$1,029,521. The Assembly at Portland faced the facts in the case, and then, with faith in the church and in God, in spite of past delinquency, resolved, “That, God helping us, we shall, without fail, reach the mark set by the last General Assembly, to wit, \$1,100,000.” According to the calculation of the Board, this will require an increase over last year of fifteen per cent. Can this be raised without special effort? Never. It calls for prayer and *work* on the part of pastors, elders, godly women, youth and children. “Every stone must be turned,” and every instrumentality employed to avoid repeated failure.

The contrast which we have put before you between the progress on the field and the offerings to support it reveals the inadequacy of the latter, and seems to point the direction in which, for the present, Committees on Foreign Missions may be most useful. The pressing work before us is to reach down, through a system of Presbyterial and Sessional Committees, until the hearts and the purses of the individual members of our congregations shall have been touched. This is a work which is sure to test our patience and to require self-denial, which will arouse criticism, and, in some quarters, opposition. It calls for a well-planned campaign and for soldiers willing to “endure hardness,” yet its outcome will amply repay the most earnest and self-sacrificing endeavor.

Let the first effort be made with the Presbyterial Committees, on the lines indicated by the Secretaries of the Board in their excellent circular recently issued. Bring these Committees to feel that they have a responsibility far beyond reporting once a year how many churches have failed to give to Foreign Missions and how much the others have given; convince them that they are charged with the oversight of the maintenance of our foreign work so far as the obligation rests upon the churches of their several Presbyteries—an oversight which involves the arousing of interest where it is lacking and stimulating it when it is weak or waning. Their ultimate aim should be to secure intelligent cooperation and prayer, as well as systematic, generous giving on the part, not only of every church, but of each household in every church. To this end they should secure the appointment by each Session of some person who shall have this special interest at heart in his church, and shall be the medium of communication between that church and themselves, thus organizing in regular church lines without new



machinery. Our present work as a Committee of the Synod may be to suggest means and furnish stimulus for hastening the vital result thus contemplated. In this watch over the Presbyterial Committee we may incidentally help to establish a more intimate communication between the Board and the Presbyteries and churches in our Synod; making it appear that the Board is the servant of the churches and not their master; the administrator of their sanctified gifts and energies and not a tax-gatherer, nor yet, as some seem to regard it, a beggar for their bounty, nearly always in debt and always clamoring. Light needs to be shed upon the relations and functions of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Further, by a system of exchanges, making use of the local talent and zeal, which are not wanting; by occasional conventions, especially in rural districts, where such occasions are few; by the use of fresh tidings from the field frequently published, to whet the appetite and quicken the love and ardor of the hearers, let us, through Presbyteries and Sessions, lay close to the consciences and hearts of the people their solemn duty and their glorious privilege to co-operate with their risen Lord in evangelizing a lost world.

Perhaps the most important thing which can be done, on all hands, at the present time, is to emphasize the need of more and more prevailing *prayer*. It seems as if a climax had been reached in the employment of machinery. We have organizations, of women and of young people and of children (everybody but men); organizations for this object and for that, until our larger communities have become so burdened with frequent conventions that they practically ignore them all; and great care is needed to prevent conflict of interests and clashing of efforts, resulting in waste of energy and means. Secretaries of boards and others are driven to desperate expedients in view of the prevalent indifference which seems to call for new methods. Not that machinery excludes prayer, or that our machinery has been used without prayer; but the undoubted tendency of human nature in Christians and churches and boards, is to rely too much upon inventions and too little upon the divine interposition. Grace is needed to enable us to discriminate as to how much of this machinery we can profitably use, and to help us to throw away the balance, even if it involve the sacrifice of many a darling. We need a vigorous resort to prayer, that the Lord of the harvest will "thrust forth" (as the original has it) laborers by multitudes into His harvest, and inspire His people with the zeal and self-sacrifice needful to sustain them. Let us echo the call of our brethren of the Synod of India:

"We, the members of the Synod of India, met in Lodiana, unite, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, in asking our brethren throughout the world to join with us in daily prayer, *that a spirit of constant importunate prayer and supplication may be given to every member of Christ's body the world over*, to the end that the

Spirit may be poured out on all flesh ; that laborers may be separated by the Holy Ghost and sent forth by him to the work to which He has called them ; and that speedily our Lord and Saviour may 'see of the travail of His soul and be satisfied :' His 'will being done on earth as it is in heaven.' "

Your Committee offer the following recommendations :

1. That Presbyterial Committees be requested to continue their efforts to secure the appointment, by each Session, of some one who, as a Special Committee on Foreign Missions, shall be their correspondent and co-laborer in his own field, thus organizing the work on Presbyterial lines.

2. That in order to intelligent coöperation on the part of churches and members, we reiterate the importance (*a*) of the more general circulation of missionary intelligence; (*b*) of the stated observance of the monthly concert of prayer for missions; (*c*) of unifying, as much as possible, the efforts of churches, women's societies and bands, that the light gained by each may be made useful to all, and that all may be informed and interested; (*d*) of occasional gatherings, to be arranged by the Presbyterial Committees, in the interest of Foreign Missions, especially in rural neighborhoods; of exchanges of pastors for the purpose of bringing this subject before the people. All such means having especially in view the crying need of increased offerings for this cause.

3. That as churches and individuals we give ourselves to prayer in this "crisis of missions," that the new century of modern missions now beginning may be marked by widespread and glorious outpourings of the Spirit which shall bring Pentecostal multitudes into the church in all lands.

4. That, in view of the greatly increased need of the cause, Synod urges upon Presbyteries and Sessions to endeavor to secure, for the ensuing year, a sum as largely as possible in advance of the amount contributed by churches and Sabbath-schools during the past year, which was \$52,000. And Presbyteries are earnestly requested to put forth the most systematic efforts, through their Committees on Foreign Missions, to secure such enlarged contributions.

5. That, having received the fifteenth annual report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions, who report that they have had fifty-nine missionaries on their roll, and now have twenty-three under their care, and that they have raised \$33,270 during the year for this cause, the Synod congratulates them upon their persevering and growing work, welcomes their coöperation and cordially commends their efforts.

6. That, in response to the overture from the Presbytery of Monmouth, requesting the Synod to consider the advisability of renewing for this fall or winter the Simultaneous Meetings, the subject be



referred to the Presbyterial Committees for local action as they may deem fit.

7. That the Synod would deprecate the tendency of some of our people to contribute funds for Foreign Missions through other channels at the expense of our authorized agency, the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions; and we would urge upon pastors, Sessions and people an increased loyalty to our Board in their gifts to Foreign Missions.

HENRY S. BUTLER,  
*Chairman.*

## X.—FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Midway between our past summer of rest and the coming winter of work we wait awhile in this memorial month of October, 1892, and, instead of reviewing, as usual, the field abroad, and telling of our missionaries, that noble company of laborers on heathen soil, it may be wise "to stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance," and consider how the Lord has dealt with us at home. It is now fifteen years since this Synodical Society was formed. We meet again to-day in the city of its birth. One who was present says, "I well remember the beauty of that autumnal afternoon and the goodly attendance." This was in 1877; but we must go back to '71 and find in the Minutes of Synod this record: "*Resolved*, That Synod recognize, with gratitude and hope, the recent organization of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, and earnestly recommend to all the churches under our care the formation of Auxiliaries to help those women who are thus laboring with us in the gospel."

A similar resolution was passed every year after, but as few ladies attend all the sessions of Synod, and perhaps fewer have access to its records, in 1875 a request for the approval and recommendation of their work was sent to the Synod, signed M. C. Sheppard, Anna L. Wilson, F. E. H. Haines, Vice-Presidents for New Jersey. In '76 Synod met in Elizabeth First Church, and a convention of ladies from seven Presbyteries in Westminster, when it was "*Resolved*, That we hold a meeting of the same kind again (D. V.) in connection with Synod, if convenient to the ladies of the place," signed, "by order of the Convention, Mrs. Ashbel Green, Mrs. Joel Parker, Miss A. M. Carter, Secretaries." They also "resolved to appoint a day of fasting and prayer in view of our great need of enlarged liberality." The 26th of October was so observed by many of our members. (See Mrs. Scribner's Presb. Report.) Thus we find the foundations laid in faith and hope with fasting and prayer.

In 1877 the Synod met in Newark First Church, and a convention of the officers of six of the seven Presbyterian Societies and several ladies from Morris and Orange Presbytery was held in the Third Church on Tuesday afternoon, October 16th, when they resolved to constitute themselves into a Synodical Society, to hold one meeting yearly, under the direction of its officers, during the same week in October as the session of Synod, and the Secretary of which shall hereafter prepare the report to be presented to the Synod. The officers elected are as follows: President, Mrs. R. T. Haines; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Joel Parker; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Hodge; the Secretaries of the Convention, Mrs. A. V. R. Hodge, Miss M. J. Morton, Miss A. M. Carter.

With the formation of this Society, now fifteen years ago, we come to the time when our younger sister, the Woman's Home Missionary Society, began to walk by our side, and work for the destitute portions of our own country. One who knew her well writes: "Except for Mrs. Haines' effort and zeal, the Synodical Society would not have been organized. 'There is nothing,' said Mrs. Haines, 'permanent upon the face of the earth but the Church of the living God' With her high ideas of the life of the Church, she desired, upon religious conviction and principle, the representation of our woman's work in all its courts." She served as President five years, or until 1882, when Mrs. Parker was elected. Mrs. Haines, Mrs. A. V. R. Hodge, Mrs. Sheppard, Mrs. Ashbel Green, Mrs. Gregory, Dr. Imbrie and others, active in the early days of our Society, have already entered into their eternal home.

During these fifteen years we have had fifty-nine missionaries on our roll. Of these six have ceased from their labors and gone to their reward—Mrs. Lilly Happer Cunningham, Mrs. Capp, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Nassau, Miss Seward and Mrs. Scott. Never until "that great day" shall we know their love, their endurance, their trials and their joys.

At present there are twenty-three missionaries under our care. In Africa, Mrs. Good and Mrs. Nourse; in India, Mrs. Newton, Mrs. Holcomb and Miss Hutchison; in Japan, Mrs. Hepburn and Miss Youngman; in Persia, Mrs. Mechlin; in Siam, Mrs. and Miss McGilvary and Miss Westervelt; in South America, Mrs. Dascomb, Miss Ella Kuhl and Mrs. Ladd; in Syria, Miss Brown and Mrs. Jessup; in China, Mrs. Atterbury, Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Neal and the Misses Butler, Lewis, Morton and Edwina Cunningham. The last, a new missionary, sailed in September. Six of these have been with us from the beginning: Mrs. Holcomb, Miss Kuhl, Miss Noyes (now Mrs. Dr. Kerr), Mrs. McGilvary, Mrs. Hepburn and Miss Youngman. These have all left their pleasant, attractive Christian homes to dwell apart from friends and native land to do angelic work; for, like angels, do they not go forth "to minister to them who shall be heirs of salvation?" Better still, are they not Christ-like? "God commendeth His love toward us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Without giving names, for lack of time, we quote from some of our Secretaries as to methods of work. "Ours is a model Society, young and small, but so interested that no member likes to stay away. Mothers bring their babies with them, and very well-behaved babies they are." "Our band has purchased an encyclopedia, for reference in reading 'Woman's Work,' and 'Children's Work for Children,' at our informal evening gatherings." "We have eleven active members, and thirteen honorary members, all paying dues." "It seems natural that the young ladies should step forward into the Woman's Society. Our circle has passed a vote that each mem-

ber shall go at the age of twenty." "One Society has a membership of eighty-two, of whom fifty-nine have taken part in the meetings." "In one church two hundred copies of 'Children's Work' are taken, and its Auxiliary, having thirty members, takes twenty-five copies of 'Woman's Work.'" Some Societies have quarterly meetings, others semi-annual; most meet monthly, and we know one which met last year twenty-one times. A report says, "Once a month the pastor omits the weekly prayer-meeting, and the evening is devoted to missions. The attendance has increased, and a general awakening is the result." Another says, "We have nine Christian Endeavor Societies interested in missions, but only three contribute through our Presbyterial Treasurer."

This subject was made prominent at our annual meeting and we hope for a systematic showing next year. "There is great temptation to divert Foreign Mission money into other channels." Things present win our attention and we forget those out of sight. "We find Miss Taylor's graded catechisms very helpful in Bands and Sunday-schools." One young Secretary says, "As we do not know the names of the children who are supported by our scholarships we call one Hoo-ah-yu, and the other, which only costs half as much, Won-Him-Lôw. Our new Secretary of Missionary Literature, it is hoped, will lead us to know more of Foreign Missions, to pray more and to give more.

For the year ending April, 1892, the offerings of Presbyterial Societies were as follows :

Newton, . . . . .	\$1,926 65
West Jersey, . . . . .	1,971 27
Monmouth, . . . . .	2,597 09
Jersey City, . . . . .	2,715 96
New Brunswick, . . . . .	4,058 47
Elizabeth, . . . . .	4,909 18
Newark, . . . . .	5,522 39
Morris and Orange, . . . . .	9,536 69
Total, . . . . .	<u>\$33,237 70</u>

This includes Miss Phebe Crane's legacy of \$2,000, and a gift from Mrs. Stone, of Orange, \$2,000 for the Laos Mission. Since 1877 our Societies have increased from 160 to 460 in number, and have contributed nearly \$400,000.

A secular paper in Toronto, speaking of "Mission Day" at the Pan-Presbyterian Council says: "Yesterday's session exhibited the true life and power of these Reformed churches. Calvinism, with all its alleged narrowness and harshness of creed, has awakened and sustained a missionary enthusiasm which, in unselfishness of service, self-abandonment of faith, enlightenment of reason and greatness of result, is not surpassed by anything in history." Before

closing we must mention the revision by Mrs McGilvary of her Siamese translation of the Gospel of Matthew, printed by the American Bible Society, and the completion of a new church in Yokoma, with circular seats, heating apparatus, electric lights, etc., the gift of personal friends of Dr. and Mrs. Hepburn. It has a Japanese pastor and 300 members.

We cannot realize the vast number of heathen yet unreached by the word of life. An article in the *August Church at Home and Abroad* tells us "that if the people of India alone were to stand holding hands they would reach three times around the globe. The widows of India out-number four cities like London." Let us "think on these things" and gird ourselves anew for whatever of toil or self-denial we may have to endure to give "the glad news of great joy" which is for all nations.

MARGARET M. HODGE,  
*Corresponding Secretary.*

XI.—MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

This meeting was held in the Second Presbyterian Church, Newark, N. J., at 10 A.M. It was very largely attended, delegates from every Presbytery in the Synod being present.

The meeting was opened with a half-hour prayer meeting, conducted by Mrs. J. D. Bedle.

Mrs. Joel Parker made an address, reviewing the work of the Society since it was formed, fifteen years ago. She expressed regret that she was compelled to resign the office of President.

The minutes of the previous meeting, and the report of the Corresponding Secretary, were read and accepted.

Mrs. M. P. Eddy spoke on "The Salvation of Souls the First Duty of the Medical Missionary." She has secured a thorough training as an oculist, and will begin work in Syria in a few months.

Mrs. John Gillespie aroused great enthusiasm by her address on "Our Lighthouses in India"—the churches, dispensaries, hospitals, orphanages and schools which she recently visited.

Mrs. S. R. Forman proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Parker for her ten years of faithful work as President of the Society. To her personal efforts the success of the Society is largely due.

The following named officers were elected :

*President*—MRS. W. P. STEVENSON, Roselle.

*1st Vice-President*—MRS. JOEL PARKER, Freehold.

*2d* " —MRS. J. D. BEDLE, Jersey City.

*3d* " —MRS. M. E. MORRISON, New Brunswick.

*4th* " —MRS. J. GILLESPIE, Elizabeth.

*5th* " —MRS. S. E. WARE, Salem.

*6th* " —MRS. R. H. YOUNG, Newton.

*7th* " —MRS. ROBERT AIKMAN, Madison.

*8th* " —MRS. FRANK CHANDLER, Asbury Park.

*9th* " —MRS. JOHN DIXON, Trenton.

*10th* " —MISS A. M. CARTER, Newark.

*Treasurer*—MISS E. M. COLTON, Elizabeth.

*Corresponding Secretary*—MRS. CHALMERS MARTIN, Princeton.

*Recording Secretary*—MRS. PAUL BABCOCK, Montclair.

MARY W. BABCOCK,

*Recording Secretary.*



## XII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK.

In the number of schools, the membership and the average attendance there has been no material gain for a number of years. In the columns under the heading of Relation to the Church there appears some improvement. There is an increase over last year in the number of scholars reported as attending church. During the year 2,163 scholars were received into full church membership; this number being about one-half the entire number uniting with the churches on examination. Your Committee believe that too much stress cannot be laid upon this duty of holding up the doctrine that the Sabbath-school only fulfils its mission as it points its young people to the supreme duty of confessing Christ and uniting with the church. Only about one-fourth of the scholars in our Sabbath-schools are in full church membership. In order to show how much was accomplished during the past year in bringing scholars into the church, we append the number received in each Presbytery and the proportion that this number bears to the entire number of scholars in the schools :

Elizabeth, . . . . .	485 . . . . .	.064 per cent.
Newton, . . . . .	190 . . . . .	.041 “
Morris and Orange, . . . . .	246 . . . . .	.037 “
West Jersey, . . . . .	218 . . . . .	.036 “
New Brunswick, . . . . .	259 . . . . .	.034 “
Newark, . . . . .	415 . . . . .	.032 “
Monmouth, . . . . .	140 . . . . .	.026 “
Jersey City, . . . . .	210 . . . . .	.025 “
Total for Synod, . . . . .		2163 . . . . . .036 “

The benevolent offerings for the year show an increase over any previous year. According to the statistical reports, the schools gave to the Board of Sabbath-school Work \$5,344, an increase of \$723 over last year ; the offerings to the other boards of the church were \$15,134, an increase of \$259 over last year ; the amount given to other objects of benevolence, outside of our church, was \$14,746, a slight decrease from last year. The total offering of the Sabbath-schools of Synod for benevolence was \$35,224.

The average offering per Sabbath-school member, by Presbyteries, was as follows :

Morris and Orange, . . . . .	.78 cents.
Elizabeth, . . . . .	.71 “
Newark, . . . . .	.60 “
West Jersey, . . . . .	.50 “
Jersey City, . . . . .	.46 “
Monmouth, . . . . .	.44 “
Newton, . . . . .	.36 “
New Brunswick, . . . . .	.30 “



The average amount given for benevolence per Sabbath-school member for the Synod was 53 cents; last year, 52 cents.

The Synod of New York shows an average of 49 cents, while Pennsylvania falls still farther behind, with an average of 41 cents.

This presentation of the benevolences of the Sabbath-schools of Synod reveals the smallness of the average offering per scholar. Five of the eight Presbyteries give less than an average of a cent a week per member to the Lord's work. Your Committee believe that with proper attention to this feature of the work our offerings could easily be doubled. We can easily imagine the effect of such an increase upon the Boards. And this is the lowest ground upon which we can possibly regard this subject.

The church is under obligation to educate her children and youth in the worship of God by offerings that they may early learn the peculiar delight that comes from such service; and, besides, we should give the more heed to this work because the members of our Sabbath-schools are, in their turn, to have the responsibility of the support of the various departments of church work.

We sometimes bewail the superficial methods employed in teaching God's Word in the Sabbath-school of to-day. Superficial, also, is the training given in Scriptural giving. And yet there are some of our schools that are awake upon this subject, and are raising up those who, in coming years, will teach by example most wholesome lessons.

The Sabbath-school of the Church of Madison, Presbytery of Morris and Orange, has followed a system of giving for twenty-two years. The school, consisting of three hundred members, is organized into a missionary society, with collectors for each of the fifty-five classes. At the beginning of the year each member designates the amount that he will try to give during the year. In case of absence the full amount is brought upon return. The total offerings for benevolence last year were \$1,015.12, or an average of \$3.38 for each member. This amount is six times the average of Synod and eleven times that of the Presbytery of New Brunswick. The total offerings of this school for the last three years are \$2,713.97, or an average of \$3.12 per member. The total offerings for the twenty-two years amount to \$10,671.89 or \$485 per year.

The Fifth Avenue Sabbath-school of Newark adopted a plan of systematic giving two years ago. The offerings for benevolence last year were on an average of \$1.51 per member. The largest offering from any one member was twenty-five cents a week.

Wenonah Sabbath-school, Presbytery of West Jersey, for years has supported a Sabbath-school missionary in the West. Last year the offerings of this school for this object were \$1,200. While the school has some large givers, yet the whole membership bears an active part.

Other schools might be mentioned with an average offering per member of more than two cents a week.

Your Committee present these examples of systematic giving for the consideration of Synod.

*Mission Work.*—The report of the Board credits the Sabbath-schools of the entire church with \$48,012.12 as the offerings for the year, an increase of \$5,000 over last year. The churches gave to the same object \$36,549.76, an increase over last year. The two-thirds profit of the business department of the Board was \$29,803.22, an increase of \$21,000 over last year. Individual gifts and other receipts raise the total receipts of the Board to \$126,816.20, an increase of thirty per cent. over last year. This increase in resources warranted the Board in going forward, lengthening the cords and strengthening the stakes on the frontier. A larger number of permanent missionaries have been employed, besides a corps of four-month volunteers from the Seminaries. The result has been that schools have been established in waste places by the hundreds, and scholars have been gathered in by the thousands—961 schools, 49,000 members. Four years have passed since the reorganization of the Board's mission work. A backward look has been taken to ascertain whether the results are abiding. Most gratifying is the word. For the year ending April 1st, 1891, "an average of two schools, that continue to live, were established for every day in the year; and from these there has grown churches for every Sabbath in the year."

The Standing Committee of the recent General Assembly put the truth, with reference to this work, most forcibly:

"It is at the front in the evangelization of our country. It is the pioneer of the church—the voice crying in the wilderness. In quietness and without observation, trusting in God, it lays the foundations, prepares the way for the organized church, the permanent pastor, and also the ordinances of the house of God."

1. Your Committee recommend that the coming year be made, on the part of Presbyterian Committees, Superintendents and Sabbath-school workers generally, a year for the investigation of what is actually being done throughout the schools of Synod in educating the young in the worship of God by offerings.

2. Your Committee also recommend that the Chairmen of the Presbyterian Committees report the condition of systematic giving in the schools of their respective Presbyteries to Synod's Committee in time for the next annual report.

GEORGE H. INGRAM,

*Chairman.*

### XIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The champions of Sabbath Observance have been compelled to maintain a wearying contest in order to secure the closing on Sunday of the Columbian Exposition, and this struggle has been the marked feature of Sabbath Observance work during our Synodical year. Inasmuch as the Christians of this State have been active in this endeavor, a brief sketch of the work accomplished comes legitimately within the scope of this report.

A year ago appeals were made to those who had immediately in charge the conducting of the Exposition, urging them to relieve the minds of the petitioners by at once deciding to close on Sunday. But their continued silence and seeming opposition to the closing, and their evident purpose to postpone until the last moment a decision, awakened serious apprehensions. At this juncture the application, by the Directors of the Exposition, to Congress for an additional appropriation, furnished the friends of the Sabbath an opportunity to bring the matter of Sunday closing before the representatives of the people. The hope that something in behalf of the Sunday closing could be secured from that body aroused the Sabbath Associations of our country to renewed efforts. As the Legislatures of most of the States were also in session, petitions were sent to them, asking a deliverance in favor of Sunday closing, and especially that the exhibits of these States should be closed on that day. So far as the knowledge of your Committee extends, each Legislature thus petitioned made a response in favor of the Sabbath. While Congress delayed its action on the additional appropriation, full opportunity was given to the advocates of closing to secure a hearing. Like the voice of many waters, petitions rolled in from all parts of the land, so that, in the language of a Member of the House, they accumulated by the bushel. After the action of the Senate in favor of Sunday closing, the desk of the Speaker of the House was fairly deluged by petitions, asking that body to concur with the Senate. A great deal of personal work was done by prominent constituents using their influence with the Senators from their States and the Members of the House from their districts. Noble speeches were made in both Houses by members. Indeed, the aid rendered by these friends of the Sabbath in Congress was above all praise, and without it our efforts would have failed. The final vote was—in the Senate, 45 in favor of closing on Sunday and 11 against it; in the House, 147 in favor and 61 against. The importance of this action can scarcely be overestimated, for it is a greater triumph than appears on the surface. It is the voice of the people. The strength of the Sabbath sentiment has been tested and developed. Notwithstanding much to

the contrary, the people are unwilling to lose the Sunday rest. The subject of Sabbath Observance has been made very conspicuous, and has been widely discussed. The foreign element has received a significant rebuke. The friends of the Sabbath in Europe are rejoiced, and their hands are greatly strengthened. It is a matter of profound regret, that in all this contest the effort for Sunday closing has received no aid from the secular press, with very few exceptions. It has been almost impossible to secure the insertion of judicious articles in favor of the closing, while columns frequently have appeared against the closing. Only because the Lord of the Sabbath was on our side have we succeeded, in the face of these prodigious odds against us. Yet our congratulations are tempered with a tinge of apprehension. The abettors of Sunday opening in Chicago are enraged. While the local Directory accept the appropriation on the condition affixed to it, they hope to secure a repeal of that condition from the next Congress. And what is more ominous, there is arising an opposition from some who claim to be friends of the Sabbath, but who would open so many gates of pleasure as would soon make the Sabbath a noisy holiday. In view of this your Committee recommend that this Synod take suitable action. And now, as we turn to our own State, we are confronted with this same question of opening a fair on Sunday. Two fairs have been kept open on Sunday in September of this year. The first annual fair of the Chiselhurst Agricultural Society was opened on Sunday. A weekly newspaper of that part of the State describes thus the proceedings on that Sunday: "Gambling was very strong during the fore part of Sunday, but was finally suppressed by the management. The attendance was mostly made up of residents of the surrounding towns." Another paragraph uses this language: "A large number attended the Chiselhurst fair Sunday, to witness the scenes of debauchery and gambling that are adjuncts of such affairs." The other fair opened on Sunday was held under the direction of the "Atlantic County Agricultural and Horticultural Society." It was the thirty-first annual fair, and was held at Egg Harbor City, from September 24th to October 2d. These days include two Sundays. In the premium schedule, which is a pamphlet of fifty pages, it is announced that on Sunday, September 25th, and on Sunday, October 2d, horse-races will take place as on other days, and for purses of \$100 each. Your Committee rejoice to state that the mayor of Egg Harbor City and the prosecutor of the county, by their official authority, prevented these races on Sunday, threatening to arrest the managers if the races were permitted. But the fair itself in other respects went on. And a correspondent of the *North American*, of Philadelphia, in describing the scenes, writes: "There was nothing on the fair grounds to indicate that it was Sunday. \* \* \* When residents and their families attended church, they had to steer clear of the scores of drunken rowdies.

Beer-selling, gambling, fortune-wheels were in full blast." The scenes on the fair grounds, as described by those who were there, were a disgrace to any civilized, not to say Christian community. Such are the declarations of the secular press. But on the second Sabbath, gambling with roulette wheels and other methods, openly indulged in on the first Sunday, were not permitted. The mayor "issued orders to his officers to arrest any person found engaged in any game of chance on Sunday. Prosecutor Thompson declares that he will take measures next season to prevent a recurrence of the scenes of last Sunday and to-day." Facts like these prove the fallacy of the claim, that fairs should be opened on Sunday for the benefit of the workingmen and their families. How can such scenes conduce to the moral, physical or intellectual advantage of workingmen and their families? The general reverence for the Lord's day and the laws which guard its observance are the great barrier which prevent it from becoming a day of disorder. Let this popular reverence be weakened by opening the Columbian Exposition on Sunday, and a tide of Sabbath desecration will sweep over our beloved land. There are other facts connected with Sabbath Observance in this State which deserve mention, especially the efforts by individuals and by the Law and Order Leagues and other associations, as at Long Branch, Bordentown, Elizabeth, Hoboken, to close the saloons on Sunday. But this report, already lengthened, cannot enter upon these. This Synod, however, desires to encourage all endeavors to prevent desecration of the Lord's Day. Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

1. This Synod expresses its hearty appreciation of the action of the Legislature of New Jersey, requesting the closing on Sunday of the exhibit of this State at the Columbian Exposition.

2. This Synod rejoices greatly in the resolution adopted by so large a majority of Congress, ordering that the Columbian Exposition be closed on Sunday, and we hereby petition the Senate and House of Representatives of these United States to remain firm in this action and to refuse any repeal thereof, should the attempt be made.

3. The Moderator and Stated Clerk of Synod are directed to send this second resolution to the Senators and Representatives from this State in Congress, with the request that the resolution be presented to Congress, as our petition in favor of the closing on Sunday of the Columbian Exposition.

4. While we rejoice in the prompt action taken by the mayor and prosecutor which prevented horse racing and gambling at the fair held in Egg Harbor City on two Sundays, we sincerely deplore that the fair itself could not have been closed on these Sundays. And we call upon officials, and upon all law-loving citizens in that section of the State, to take measures to prevent the opening of these



fairs on Sunday, which for several years have been a disgrace to their towns and cities ; and likewise, to see that the laws against gambling and similar offences be enforced.

5. In order that Synod may possess desirable information, we request each Presbytery of this Synod to institute inquiries respecting the nature and extent of any Sabbath desecration that may be conspicuous within its bounds, and report the same to the Chairman of the Synod's Committee on Sabbath Observance one month before the meeting of Synod in 1893.

GEORGE S. MOTT,  
*Chairman.*

#### XIV.—REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO PRESENT PETITIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE.

The action of the last Synod as to the work of this Committee is contained in the following resolutions :

“The Synod resolved to petition the members of the National Committee of the Columbian Exposition who represent New Jersey, and the Legislature of the State, to take such action as shall cause the closing of the Exhibit of the State at the Exposition on Sunday” Also, “Rev. Everard Kempshall, D.D., and Rev. George S. Mott, D.D., were appointed to present to the Legislature the petition adopted at this session”

Upon examination of these resolutions, your Committee discovered a confusion and an omission. In the first resolution we are directed to do two things. First, we are “to petition the members of the National Committee of the Columbian Exposition, who represent New Jersey, \* \* \* to take such action as shall cause the closing of the exhibit of the State at the Exposition on Sunday.” But this “National Committee” have no power over the exhibit of New Jersey. Supervision of that nature belongs to the “New Jersey Commission,” which is a body of eight gentlemen, who were appointed by the Governor of this State. With this State Commission your Committee had an interview. There was a doubt in their minds whether their authority extended so far as to take the action desired in the resolution. Meanwhile, in all parts of the State, petitions were circulating, begging the Legislature to order the closing of the State exhibit on Sunday. It seemed, therefore, to your Committee, wiser to await the result of these petitions, before proceeding further with the State Commission. Because, if the Legislature ordered the closing, then the Commission must carry out the requirement.

The second resolution of Synod appointed your Committee “to present to the Legislature the petition adopted at this session.” But no such petition was formulated. Really, no petition was adopted. This is the omission. Hence your Committee were left to formulate the petition according to their own judgment.

But just here arose an embarrassment which became a heavy burden to one of your Committee. The Rev. Dr. Kempshall, Chairman of this Committee, was unable to take any part in the duties of the Committee, on account of sickness. The distance of the resort to which he had gone, and the nature of his illness, made it impossible to counsel with him even by letter. Unfortunately, also, no elder had been appointed on this Committee, and the Committee itself consisted of only two members. So that the responsibility in all that was undertaken was narrowed down to the member of the Committee who makes this report.



The following is a copy of the petition which was presented to the Legislature :

“The Synod of New Jersey, at its meeting held in Long Branch, October, 1891, resolved to petition the Legislature of the State to take such action as shall cause the closing of the exhibit of the State at the Exposition on Sunday, and the Rev. Dr. Kempshall and the Rev. Dr. Mott were appointed a committee to present to the Legislature the petition.

“In presenting this petition, as required by the Synod of New Jersey, the undersigned begs leave to state that the Synod of New Jersey comprises 397 ministers, 303 churches, and a membership of 60,584. In this large number of its adherents are to be found thrifty citizens, men prominent in the legal and medical professions, and in educational institutions ; also, manufacturers and those engaged in all the industries of the State. And in petitioning for the closing of the exhibit from this State, the Synod represents the desire of this large and influential number of the citizens of New Jersey.

“Signed in behalf of the Committee,

“GEO. S. MOTT.”

A copy of the same resolution was sent to the United States Commissioners from New Jersey, and to the New Jersey Commission.

Petitions to the same purport came from churches, Young People's Endeavor Societies, Young Men's Christian Associations, and Woman's Christian Temperance Union Societies ; also, very active measures were taken by the New Jersey Sabbath Union, which sent to each pastor of the State a petition to be signed by officials of his congregation, and to be forwarded to the Legislature ; also, by that Union, copies of documents relating to Sunday closing were placed upon the desk of every member of the Legislature.

These petitions came in such large numbers that they were referred by the House to a special Committee, and by the Senate to the Committee on Federal Relations. Your Committee, in connection with the New Jersey Sabbath Union, appeared before these Committees and had a hearing ; also, members of the Legislature were appealed to by individuals among their constituents. The Committee of the Senate reported to that body the following resolution, on March 8th, 1892 :

“WHEREAS, numerous citizens of this State have petitioned the Legislature to pass a resolution that the exhibit from this State at the Columbian Exposition shall not be open on Sunday ; and whereas, it is eminently fitting and proper that action should be taken ; therefore

“I. *Be it Resolved*, by the Senate (the House concurring), that the State of New Jersey respectfully request those having the matter in charge that the said Exposition be closed upon Sunday, and

that those in charge of the New Jersey exhibit are respectfully requested to see that said exhibit is closed upon Sunday.

"2 *Be it Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Fair Commissioners of New Jersey, and to the State Commission thereto "

This resolution was adopted by the Senate, fifteen in favor and three opposed. The resolution was adopted by the House *viva voce* vote.

In conclusion, your Committee desire to acknowledge the very efficient aid that was rendered through the hearty and prompt co-operation of members of this Synod, in all parts of the State, to the requests made to them by your Committee, and especially to the Stated Clerk for his valuable services.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE S. MOTT.

## XV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance beg leave to say that so few Presbyterian reports have reached them that they are unable to ascertain what progress, if any, the temperance cause is making in this Synod. They feel assured, however, that there is great need of earnest and persistent work, inasmuch as intemperance is greatly on the increase in our State. The official figures show that 4,745,056 more gallons of beer were consumed this year than last, or a total for 1892 of 54,486,623 gallons. If this beer were put in the ordinary beer kegs, and these kegs were placed in a row lengthwise on a level surface, they would reach from New York City to the State of Nevada; or, if the money paid to the retailer should be converted into bread, using Pillsbury best patent process flour, every family in the State of New Jersey would be supplied with nine tent cent loaves of bread every day during the entire year.

Your Committee, having learned that there is considerable interest in regard to the character of the wine used at the Sacrament, desire to call the attention of Synod to this subject, and present a few reasons why they deem it wise for the churches to discard the wine of commerce and use the unfermented juice of the grape.

1st. It is almost impossible at this day to procure *pure* wine. A wholesale liquor dealer in New York said to the Chairman of this Committee, "It is just about out of the question to get pure wines or liquors any more," and another dealer who had been in the business seventeen years, corroborated his statement. A late United States Consul to France thus reported to our government: "Wine is also made entirely of other substances than the grape, and, therefore, an article is often sold in the markets which does not contain any true wine." Dr. Letheby, formerly Health Officer to the city of London, says, "It is hardly possible to obtain a sample of genuine wine, even at first hand." Your Committee examined eight books relating to the manufacture, blending and compounding of wines and liquors, and in one it said, "*All* wines are adulterated more or less for the trade." In the prospectus of another, "A perfectly pure article (of wine) is rarely to be obtained," while the others, directly or indirectly, asserted the same thing. Canon Farrar speaks of a French wine dealer who frankly said, "I *grow* 400 pipes of wine on my estate; I *sell* 10,000." A few years ago the island of Madeira produced 30,000 barrels of wine, much of which was used at home, and yet the United States consumed 50,000 barrels of that same vintage, England consumed thousands of barrels, France thousands, Germany thousands, and other countries thousands, and all was *pure* Madeira wine. Of Port-wine we have information that only one-hundredth part as much is manufactured as is consumed.

Some years ago, when the Legislature of Ohio appointed a celebrated chemist as inspector for Cincinnati, he found, during his two years' inspection, that more than 99 per cent. of the liquors were adulterated with the vilest drugs

We have taken some trouble and pains to ascertain some of the articles used in the process of adulteration and find the following among the number, viz.: acetic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid, butyric acid, nitric acid, sulphuric acid, prussic acid, capsicum, red pepper, aloes, alum, ambergris, benzine, brimstone, bitter almonds, bicarbonate of potassium, creosote, chalk, copperas, catechu, caustic potash, cocculus indicus, essence of absinthe, fusel oil, gypsum, henbane, indigo, lime, logwood, litharge, muriatic acid, opium, plaster of Paris, sugar of lead, tannic acid, wormwood, strychnine, stramonium, belladonna; lambs' blood, &c., &c. As to California wines, which many in their innocence believe to be pure, it is well known to the trade that, in addition to adulterations, they are subject to "fortification," *i. e.* spirits added to give them strength. In 1890, at the demand of California wine-makers, Congress passed a special act permitting them to use certain kind of spirits in their business without paying the internal revenue tax on the quantities so used. The United States Agricultural report well says, "The ability to 'doctor' and falsify wines is not lacking in this country."

So many of our churches use Port-wine, which at least contains 20 per cent. of alcohol, that we give a receipt for its manufacture, as we copied it from one of the eight books referred to above:

Cider, . . . . .	20 gallons.
Honey, . . . . .	2 "
Carb. of Soda, . . . . .	12 ounces.
Strong tincture grains of Paradise, . . . . .	1½ "
Powdered Catechu, . . . . .	5 "
Color with strong tincture of logwood, and a small portion of burnt sugar.	

It will be noticed that there is not a single drop of grape juice in this compound, and yet such concoctions, or worse ones, are used over and over in connection with our Saviour's words, "This is my blood." In fact, not even does pure fermented wine represent the blood of our Lord, as Dr. Richardson, England's great scientist, has shown, while there is a remarkable similitude between unfermented wine and blood. The learned doctor has clearly proved that the constituent parts of blood and grape juice are strictly analogous, so that if there is anything in pure symbolism, we have it in unfermented wine, and in unfermented wine alone.

2d. The second reason for the disuse of the wine of commerce is the fact that a large number of persons have, through its use, again fallen into the drink-habit. We give a number of cases:

No. 1. In the city in which one of your Committee lives, a woman who had been given to intemperance gave such good evidence of conversion that she was admitted to church-membership. When she partook of fermented wine, at the communion-table, her old appetite was aroused, and she speedily resumed her former habits, in spite of all appeals and warnings.

No. 2. A lady friend told the writer of a reformed man in her town who united with the church, but for many months refused to taste the fermented wine used at the Lord's Supper. His pastor urged him so strongly to partake that he at length yielded, and, as a result, he returned to his cups and soon filled a drunkard's grave.

No. 3. Some years ago Col. A., a graduate of West Point, who had been a great drunkard, was convicted of sin and professed faith in Jesus Christ. To all appearances he was a sincere, earnest Christian, striving faithfully to do the Master's will. In due time he sat down at the Lord's Table, partook of fermented wine, went out, became intoxicated, and in ten days died in a drunken debauch.

No. 4. A pastor in Brooklyn writes of one who, after conversion, kept his pledge faithfully and resisted every temptation until he came to the sacramental table, when the serpent in the cup deceived him, and he went off and for a long time was in a state of intoxication.

No. 5. At Mr. Moody's meetings, in Philadelphia, a man who felt his weakness went to Christ for help, and his prayer seemed to be answered. Health and strength returned, and for twenty months he kept his enemy at bay. At length he took the sacramental cup, went directly from the church to the saloon, drank himself drunk, and remained in that condition for days.

No. 6. A reformed man, who professed conversion, remained away from the table a long time, fearing the result. Finally he knelt down at the altar with his brethren to celebrate the Lord's death, but the alcoholic fumes so roused his appetite that he sprang up and started for the door. His faithful wife overtook him, and with great difficulty induced him to return home, "where, for four days, he raved, and chafed, and paced the floor, lashed by the fury of his appetite."

No. 7. In a New York City church, years ago, there was a gracious revival, and many connected themselves with the church. As some of the converts objected to the use of fermented wine, fearing that they might be overcome by it, the juice of the grape was used at the first communion. At the second, however, the Session insisted on using the fermented article, and the result was that quite a number of these men fell and eventually filled drunkards' graves. The letter of one of the members of this church describing these things is touching in the extreme.

No. 8. The twelfth case is that of a reformed man who, for fifteen long years after his conversion, had refused to take the cup, but at

the end of fifteen years yielded. Before night he was drunk, and he died a drunkard but a few weeks later.

A number of other instances might be cited, but these must suffice. "For thirty years," said a reclaimed man, "I have never been able to approach the Lord's table without fearing that the temptation might prove too much for me" John B. Gough, although he had been a total abstainer for many years, made a statement of the same character.

In view of these facts, the question arises, "Have we a moral right to place temptation in the way of our weak brethren?" Paul says, in Romans, 14: 21, "It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak," and in 1st Cor., 8: 12, "But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ."

Your Committee recommend the following resolutions for adoption:

1. That the Synod of New Jersey renewedly expresses its utter condemnation of the liquor traffic, and urges all within its bounds, by voice and vote, to oppose this traffic, and to labor for its complete destruction.

2. That this Synod records hereby its abhorrence of the infamous excise law, whereby one hundred persons can force the bar-room and the saloon on the unwilling towns and cities of an entire county, and calls upon the Legislature to blot this tyrannical act from our statute books.

3. That we further ask the Legislature to refuse the demand of the liquor dealers to repeal the disorderly-house act, since the repeal of said act would inevitably tend to greater Sabbath desecration, to more drunkenness, and to more crime.

4. That we call the attention of all Church Sessions that use the ordinary wine of commerce, to the advisability of substituting therefor the unfermented juice of the grape

5. That the following persons be elected as members of the Interdenominational Church Commission on Temperance, viz.: Rev. B. S. Everitt, Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., Rev. A. Erdman, D.D., Rev. John Woodbridge, D.D., Rev. W. E. Honeyman, Elders, J. Y. Foster, J. R. Bennett, and H. E. Simmons.

W. E. HONEYMAN,  
WILLIAM BOYD,  
J. DEHART BRUEN,  
J. GARLAND HAMNER, JR.,



## XVI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

The statistics of Systematic Beneficence for the past and the preceding years, as gathered by your Committee, seem to deserve the very careful attention of Synod.

The contributions to the nine objects of our church, according to the Assembly's Minutes for 1891 and 1892, are as follows :

TABLE A.

	1891.	1892.	Increase.	Decrease.
Home Missions, . . . . .	\$98,107	\$97,245	. . .	\$862
Foreign Missions, . . . . .	94,020	94,647	\$627	. . .
Education, . . . . .	14,105	12,735	. . .	1 370
Sabbath-school Work, . . . . .	12,073	13,098	1,025	. . .
Church Erection, . . . . .	40,997	19,579	. . .	21,418
Ministerial Relief, . . . . .	11,113	10,554	. . .	559
Freedmen, . . . . .	10,307	10,922	615	. . .
Sustentation, S. H. M., . . . . .	12,680	14,427	1,747	. . .
Aid for Colleges, . . . . .	7,119	6,667	. . .	452
	<u>\$300,521</u>	<u>\$279,874</u>	<u>\$4,014</u>	<u>\$24,661</u>
Net decrease to the nine objects, . . . . .			. . .	\$20,647
Congregational, . . . . .	\$887,782	\$871,552	. . .	16,230
Missellaneous, . . . . .	51,422	59,542	8,120—	36,877
			12,134	
Net decrease to all objects, . . . . .				\$28,757

The membership of our churches has increased during the past year by 1,327, or  $2\frac{1}{10}\%$  per cent.

The fact that notwithstanding this there is a net decrease in Beneficence of \$20,647, and for all objects of \$28,757, is not only to be regretted, but is very significant. It is true that the great decrease is in the item of \$21,418 for Church Erection, and that aside from this there is an increase in Beneficence of \$771; but there still remains a net decrease on all objects of \$7,096.

And the fact that while our churches have been relieved of the burden of \$21,418 on Church Erection, and of \$16,230 in Congregational expenses, and have added 1,327 to their membership, they have not made this good to other causes, should lead us to thoughtful consideration. When this is coupled with the fact that in 1891 there was a net decrease on all objects of \$20,928 with an increase in membership of 2,688, making for the two years, 1891 and 1892, a net decrease on all objects of \$49,685, while our membership



in the same time has increased by 4,015, it is hard to resist the conclusion that something is wrong. Where this wrong lies it is not the duty of your Committee to decide.

The measure of support given by Synod to the Boards of our church, and the amounts expended in Synod are as follows:

	1891.	1892.	Increase.	Decrease.	Expended in Synod.	
					1891.	1892.
Home Missions, . . .	\$51,768	\$48,135	. . .	\$3,633	. . .	. . .
Foreign Missions, . .	80,471	81,665	\$1,194	. . .	. . .	. . .
Education, . . . . .	5,823	6,454	631	. . .	\$4,252	\$3,849
Sabbath-School Work,	7,786	7,881	95	. . .	. . .	. . .
Church Erection, . .	6,109	6,496	387	. . .	400	. . .
Ministerial Relief, . .	9,564	9,533	. . .	31	4,975	5,575
Freedmen, . . . . .	7,725	6,874	. . .	851	. . .	. . .
Sustentation, . . . .	83	228	145	. . .	. . .	. . .
Aid for Colleges, . . .	3,726	4,015	289	. . .	. . .	. . .
	<u>\$173,055</u>	<u>\$171,281</u>	<u>\$2,774</u>	<u>\$4,515</u>	<u>\$9,627</u>	<u>\$8,424</u>
Synodical Home Miss.,	13,502	14,802	. . .	. . .	14,022	14,449
	<u>\$186,557</u>	<u>\$186,083</u>			<u>\$23,649</u>	<u>\$22,473</u>
Net Decrease to the Boards, . . . . .						\$1,774
Net Increase to Synodical Home Missions, . . . . .						1,300
Decrease to all Presbyterian Agencies, . . . . .						\$474

Your Committee notes with deep regret that while in 1891, notwithstanding a net decrease of \$20,928 to all objects, there was a net increase to the Boards of \$23,733, this year there is a net decrease to the Boards of \$1,774, making a difference of \$25,512 between the gifts to them of 1891 and 1892.

It is also worthy of the attention of Synod that, whereas, in 1891, our contributions to the Board of Home Missions exceeded those of 1890 by \$10,028, this year they are less than those of 1891 by \$3,633.

Your Committee would also ask the Synod to weigh the fact of the great apparent disproportion between the amount given to the nine objects of our church and that contributed to the same objects through the Boards. In 1891 the total of the former was \$300,521, while the sum of the latter was \$186,557, a difference of \$113,964, or 38 per cent. This year the total to the nine objects is \$279,874, and the amount given to the same through the Boards is \$171,657, a difference of \$108,217, or 38.7 per cent.

It is occasion for gratitude to God that while the Synod has continued to sustain its own Synodical Home Missions, and has given to it in the year just closed \$14,802, an advance of \$1,300, the contributions to the Board of Home Missions are \$48,135, and with the exception of 1891, more than in any previous year; and also that

the sum given for Foreign Missions during the past year is the largest in our history, \$81,665.

TABLE C 1

*Shows the amount given by each Presbytery to the nine objects of our Church, including Sustentation.*

	1891.	1892.	Increase.	Decrease.
Corisco, . . . . .	\$192	\$142	. . .	\$50
Elizabeth, . . . . .	38,587	39,896	1,309	. . .
Jersey City, . . . . .	27,590	25,681	. . .	1,909
Monmouth, . . . . .	16,404	17,125	721	. . .
Morris and Orange, . . . . .	68,286	67,470	. . .	816
Newark, . . . . .	77,010	52,124	. . .	24,886
New Brunswick, . . . . .	37,279	36,237	. . .	1,042
Newton, . . . . .	13,795	14,787	992	. . .
West Jersey, . . . . .	22,008	18,512	. . .	3,496
	<u>\$301,151</u>	<u>\$271,974</u>	<u>\$3,022</u>	<u>\$32,199</u>

Net decrease to the nine objects, \$29,177.

TABLE C 2

*Also shows the amount given by each Presbytery through the Boards of our Church.*

	1891.	1892.	Increase.	Decrease.
Corisco, . . . . .	\$220	\$182	. . .	\$38
Elizabeth, . . . . .	26,333	27,551	\$1,218	. . .
Jersey City, . . . . .	15,080	14,544	. . .	536
Monmouth, . . . . .	12,712	12,823	111	. . .
Morris and Orange, . . . . .	44,796	41,652	. . .	3,144
Newark, . . . . .	27,985	29,518	1,533	. . .
New Brunswick, . . . . .	24,778	24,496	. . .	282
Newton, . . . . .	10,647	11,158	511	. . .
West Jersey, . . . . .	10,031	9,733	. . .	298
	<u>\$172,582</u>	<u>\$171,657</u>	<u>\$3,373</u>	<u>\$4,298</u>

Net decrease, \$925.

In amounts contributed in Table C 1 the Presbyteries stand in the following order : 1, Morris and Orange ; 2, Newark ; 3, Elizabeth ; 4, New Brunswick ; 5, Jersey City ; 6, West Jersey ; 7, Monmouth ; 8, Newton ; 9, Corisco. Newark yields first place to Morris and Orange, but the others remain unchanged. In gifts to the Boards the order is as in 1891.

Your Committee regret to see that the following Presbyteries have declined in the total of their gifts to the nine objects of our church this year, viz.: Corisco, \$50 ; Jersey City, \$909 ; Morris and Orange, \$816 ; Newark, \$24,886 ; New Brunswick, \$1,042 ; and West Jersey, \$3,496. But, on the other hand, Elizabeth has increased \$1,309 ; Monmouth, \$729 ; and Newton, 992.

In contributions through the Boards also, Corisco has decreased \$38; Jersey City, \$536; Morris and Orange, \$3,144; New Brunswick, \$282; and West Jersey, \$298. Elizabeth has increased \$1,218; Monmouth, \$111; Newark, \$1,533; and Newton, \$511.

The total amount given to the Boards this year, directly, is 43<sup>1</sup>/<sub>100</sub> per cent. of the entire Beneficence, as against 41<sup>2</sup>/<sub>100</sub> per cent. last year.

TABLE D

*Shows the blanks or failures to contribute to each of the nine objects in each Presbytery.*

	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sabbath-school Work.	Church Erection.	Ministerial Relief.	Freedmen.	Sustentation.	Aid for Colleges.	Totals.		Increase.	Decrease.
										1891.	1892.		
Corisco, . . . . .	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	0	63	63	0
Elizabeth, . . . . .	1	1	3	2	2	2	2	5	4	16	22	6	0
Jersey City, . . . . .	5	5	9	9	10	8	13	4	13	75	76	1	0
Monmouth, . . . . .	3	6	9	7	9	10	11	9	14	88	78	0	10
Morris and Orange, . . . . .	6	4	11	11	10	10	13	7	14	35	85	50	0
Newark, . . . . .	5	4	7	9	8	8	10	8	14	44	73	29	0
New Brunswick, . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	0
Newton, . . . . .	7	5	11	7	7	8	9	7	12	78	73	0	5
West Jersey, . . . . .	8	12	17	17	18	21	21	6	27	152	147	0	5
Totals, . . . . .	42	44	74	69	71	75	86	53	106	488	619	151	20
Net Increase, . . . . .												131	

This net increase of 131 for 1892, as against a net decrease of 8 in 1891, makes a difference of 139. Of this, 63 goes to the account of the Presbytery of Corisco, which for some years has not reported any, and of whose conditions—being a Foreign Mission Presbytery—we cannot judge. But deducting these, we have a net increase in the number of blanks of 68, and a comparative one over last year of 76.

TABLE E.

*Shows the total amounts given to the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath-school Work and Freedmen, and the portion thereof contributed by the Sabbath-schools and Ladies' Societies.*

	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sabbath-school Work.	Freedmen.	Ladies' Societies.	Sabbath-schools.	Both.	Per Cent.
Home Missions, . . . . .	\$48,135	\$15,385	\$5,273	\$20,657	42.9			
Foreign Missions, . . . . .	81,665	29,184	6,296	35,479	43.93			
Sabbath-school Work, . . . . .	7,881	. . . . .	3,908	3,908	49.59			
Freedmen, . . . . .	6,874	495	582	1,077	15.65			
	\$144,555	\$45,064	\$16,059	\$61,121	42.29			

The total amount for these objects given by Ladies' Societies and Sabbath-schools is 42.29 per cent. as against 39.22 per cent. last year.

In amount of gifts New Jersey stands third, as heretofore. New York is first, giving \$721,493. Pennsylvania is second, with \$679,797 New Jersey third, with \$279,874.

In average gifts per member, New Jersey stands fourth, as last year. The Synod of Oregon is first, with \$6.72 per member; Kentucky second, \$4.62 per member; Baltimore third, \$4.52  $\frac{5}{100}$ , and New Jersey fourth, \$4.52. It is a little humiliating to think that one-half a cent per member, or \$310, would have carried us to the third place, and ten cents a member, or \$61.91 more, would have made us second.

The name Synod has been pleased to give your Committee is "The Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence," and as we understand our duty, it is not only to collate and present to you annual statistics, but to labor to promote more systematic methods of giving. When we reflect on the serious decline in our gifts for the past two years, and the fact that there have been in the past year 619 failures to contribute at all to the nine objects of our church, or an average of 68  $\frac{7}{8}$  to each; and of these 42 are for Home Missions, 44 for Foreign Missions, 74 for Education, 69 for Sunday-school Work, 71 for Church Erection, 75 for Ministerial Relief, 86 for Freedmen, 53 for Sustentation (S. H. M.) and 106 Aid for Colleges; and that of our 313 churches 42, or 13 per cent., containing 2,965 members, gave nothing to Home Missions, and that the average gift to that object was \$1 50  $\frac{1}{10}$  per member; and that 44 churches, or 13 per cent., containing 2,800 members, gave nothing to Foreign Missions, and that our average gift per member to Foreign Missions was \$1.53; and that these numbers and percentages are far more strongly marked in the gifts to the smaller boards of the church, it seems that the need of more systematic methods of benevolence is greater than ever. And we again commend this to the conscientious consideration of the pastors and elders and people of our churches, reiterating with renewed emphasis the closing words of the report of 1891, viz.: "But while we are convinced that better and more systematic methods will materially increase the amount of our contributions, we are far from thinking that our beneficence can be brought to the measure which the honor and cause of Christ require by any system, however perfect. Whatever the machinery may be, there must still exist the heart and will to make it effective. More and more clearly we perceive that beneficence is truly a Christian grace, and a fruit of the baptism and indwelling of the Holy Spirit. We are more and more fully persuaded that the solution of the problems of benevolence, and the supply of funds for the work of the Master must be found in a genuine revival of piety in the hearts of our people. In this view, systematic beneficence becomes not

only a means of diligent effort, but of earnest prayer that we may 'abound in this grace also.' "

Your Committee is well aware that the tone of this report is less encouraging than it has been heretofore, and much as we regret it we can only say that facts make the report and not the report the facts. Our duty is to lay before Synod, as fully as the data given us enables us to do, the case as to systematic beneficence as it is, in order that if there are things to be corrected the wisdom of Synod, under Divine guidance, may provide the remedy. The best of all things is to know the truth.

One other matter deserves our attention. The Synod will remember that in the report of last year it was stated that "The above tables have been made up from the Assembly's Minutes and the tabulated statements of the Boards of the church. But we find in addition, in the reports of the Boards of Home Missions, Education, Sabbath-school Work, Church Erection, Ministerial Relief and Aid for Colleges, acknowledgements of further sums under such heads as 'Individual,' 'Voluntary or Special Donations,' 'Gifts to Special Funds,' 'Miscellaneous Sources,' 'Directs,' &c., aggregating many thousands of dollars. No part of these moneys has been put into the above tables because, as they are not distributed among the Presbyteries or Synods, it was impossible to tell, with any accuracy, what portion of them belonged to us, and because, not having been heretofore counted, no comparison could be made with former years. The study of them, however, makes it plain that if they were counted, every Board making such acknowledgments would be credited with a considerable additional percentage of receipts, and the gifts of our Synods and Presbyteries more justly stated. And your Committee would venture to raise the question whether such contributions should not be considered as truly a part of our beneficence as any other, and whether they should not be acknowledged that they may be credited to the Synods and Presbyteries from which they come."

Synod directed the Stated Clerk and the Chairman of your Committee to send a letter to each of the Boards, calling their attention to this matter, and asking "the Treasurers of the several Boards of the Church to publish in their annual reports of receipts the amount of voluntary contributions received from the fields occupied by the several Presbyteries." In obedience to this direction the Stated Clerk and your Chairman sent such a letter to each of the Boards. To this letter replies were received from the Boards of Church Erection, Freedmen, Education, acknowledging the receipt of the letter and promising to give the matter consideration, and in some cases, as the Board of Church Erection, admitting the desirability of the change. Dr. Craven, Secretary of the Board of Publication, sent a very courteous letter to your Chairman, going into the matter



at some length, and promising, as far as possible, to comply with your request.

The Board of Foreign Missions sent a reply directed to the Synod and stating that "there seem to be practical difficulties which prevent our acceding to your very proper request." With this history your Committee submits the subject to the action of Synod.

It is proper, however, before leaving this matter, to say that moneys from these untabulated and undistributable sources continue to form no small part of the gifts of our churches to the Boards. Your Committee has been able to cull out from these different classes, as coming from our Synod, the following sums: Home Missions, \$4,014.25; Education, \$2,105.92; Church Erection, \$892.91; Sabbath-school Work, \$3,289.86; Ministerial Relief, \$3,980.47; Freedmen, \$590, and Aid for Colleges, \$1,106 82; total, \$15,880.23. Less than one-half of this sum, if credited to our Synod, would have made us second in the average gifts per church member.

In conclusion, your Committee desires to call the attention of Synod to the importance of the education of the youth and children of our church in habits of systematic giving, and especially of the introduction of systematic methods into our Sunday-schools. In this, as in all other matters of Christian duty, the time to begin is with the children, and the place the family and the Sunday-school. We know that in some of our churches systematic methods have been introduced into the Sunday-schools even when they do not prevail in the congregations, but the subject should receive more general and earnest consideration in most of our churches. Wherever your Committee has learned that such measures have been tried the result has been most gratifying. Since the body of this report was written a letter has been received from the Chairman of the Beneficence Committee in ——— Presbytery, giving an account of an experiment of this kind made in the Sunday-school of one of the churches of that Presbytery for the year ending in the spring of the present year; a school far from being a rich one and where the highest offering is twenty-five cents a Sabbath.

The results were these: 1. Just double the sum given the year before. 2. Average per member for the year, \$1.51, for beneficence. 3. Average per member for all objects, \$2.37. 4. A hearty acceptance of the plan. 5. A determination to do more this year. Similar results have been obtained in other cases. Let the good work go on.

THEODORE F. WHITE,  
*Chairman.*

## XVII.—REPORT OF THE CUSTODIANS OF HISTORICAL MATERIAL.

The Custodians of Historical Material of the Synod respectfully report that the following material has been deposited in the Synod's collections during the past year :

By the Rev. Allen H. Brown :

First and second annual reports of the Domestic Missionary Society of West Jersey, 1821, 1822; also commission and reports of missionaries employed by the Society, Henry Perkins, Safford and others.

Reports of colporteurs of the American Tract Society in South Jersey and "the pines," 1842-1846, A. D. White, G. W. Newell, C. W. Forman, T. H. Cleland and others.

Letter of Rev. Samuel Miller, D.D., to Rev. Jonathan Freeman as to scarcity of laborers and Universalists in churches, 1820.

Manuscripts, &c., relating to the history of various churches:

Letter from Jacob Spicer, of Cape May to Rev. Benj. Chesnut, 1750; Gouldtown, 1835; Fairfield and Rev. Ethan Osborn, 1783-1840; Bridgeton First, 1876, sermon by Rev. J. A. Maxwell; Minutes of Atsion, Burlington Co., 1867; Oceanville, Atlantic Co., 1850-1878.

Two historical sermons, Rev. E. P. Shields, Pittsgrove, 1867.

Printed manuals, sketches, &c. :

Lakewood, 1888; Vineland, 1887; Bridgeton, First, 1870, 1892; Williamstown, Rev. C. E. Ford, 1870; Presbytery of West Jersey, 1860, 1873, 1880, 1892.

Printed Sermons:

Rev. Henry M. Storrs, D.D., 1888, 1889; Rev. Joseph F. Tuttle, D.D.; Rev. George S. Mott, D.D., 1889; Rev. A. A. Hodge, D.D., 1886.

Memorial Sermons:

Rev. Barnabas King, by Dr. Tuttle, 1862; Rev. James W. Alexander, D.D., by Dr. Hodge, Dr. Hall; Rev. A. A. Hodge, D.D., by Dr. Paxton, 1886.

Rules of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, 1800.

Laws of the College of New Jersey, 1802.

Twenty Years of Princeton College, Dr. McCosh, 1888.

First Reports of German Theological Seminary, 1870, 1872.

Pictures:

Merchantville; Cold Spring, Cape May; Deerfield; Dr. J. A. Alexander.

Papers relating to the case of Rev. John Miller, 1877.



By the Presbyterian Church of Jersey City :

Minutes of Session, April, 1844, to March, 1890. 2 volumes.

Minutes of Trustees, March, 1844, to March, 1882.

Marriages and Baptisms, February, 1852, to June, 1891.

Names of Communicants, April, 1844, to March, 1890.

Marriage register, January, 1841, June, 1891.

Three printed discourses of Rev. Dr. Imbrie, 1852, 1855, 1876.

Sundry bound pamphlets, magazines, &c.

Minutes, Synod of New Jersey, 1870 to 1890, now deposited with the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions.

Certificate of corporate name, in MS.

Oath of Trustees in MS.

All from the library of the late Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D.

By Mr. Robert B. Potter :

Manuscript history Pittsgrove Church, 1852, by Rev. George W. Janvier.

Sundry copies of Minutes of General Assembly and other bodies, 1794 to 1806.

By Mr. E. C. Osborn, Treasurer Princeton College :

Photograph of Rev. Ravaud K. Rodgers, D.D., Stated Clerk of the Synod, October 18, 1838, to October 22, 1874.

By Rev. John E. Peters, Sc. D. :

Photographs of church buildings, Asbury Park ; Pleasantville ; Brainerd Church, Elwood.

By Rev. John C. Rankin, D.D. :

Printed historical discourse, Basking Ridge, 1872, 1892.

By Rev. John L. Landis :

Printed historical discourse, Cold Spring Church, Cape May, Rev. Daniel L. Hughes, 1889.

Photograph of Rev. Allen H. Brown, 1882.

It may be well, also, to give somewhat more in detail the list of papers of the Rev. Jonathan Freeman, of Bridgeton, reported to the Synod in 1890, as follows :

Form of public profession of faith, used in the Greenwich and Bridgeton churches.

Report of communicants and collections from 1805 to 1820, and defence of the use of some money collected to defray expenses to Synod and Presbytery.

Account of revival of 1817, and the influence of the Methodists.

Minutes of the monthly meeting of ministers, August, 1819, to March, 1820.

First Annual Report of the Young Female Religious Tract Society of Bridgeton, West New Jersey, 1817, with names of officers and contributors.

Solemn charge given to James P. Wilson, Philadelphia, 1806 ; A. Reeve, Deerfield, 1808 ; Mr. Todd, Woodbury, 1809 ; T. A. Ogden, Cape May, 1817.

A charge to Elders—Bridgeton, 1803 ; Greenwich, 1812 ; Bridgeton, 1818 ; Greenwich, 1819 ; Cape May, 1819.

Charge to Mr. Clark, Pittsgrove, 1806.

WALTER A. BROOKS,  
JOSEPH H. DULLES,  
*Custodians.*

Printed, though not submitted to Synod. See note to next report.

## XVIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS.

The Committee on Historical Materials herewith present to the Synod of New Jersey their sixth annual report.

In 1886 Synod appointed a special Committee to obtain information respecting extinct Presbyteries and churches, and to suggest measures for the gathering and preservation of historical materials within the bounds of the Synod. (See Minutes 1886, page 27.)

In 1887 the Committee presented an extended report on these topics. (See Minutes, pages 107-111 )

- I. Synodical Minutes.
- II. Minutes of Existing Presbyteries
- III. Minutes of Extinct Presbyteries.
- IV. Records of Churches.
- V. Published Histories.
- VI. Memoirs of Deceased Ministers.

In 1888 it was resolved to ask the Trustees of the Seminary at Princeton for the use of a fire-proof vault in their Library Building, and in due time it was generously granted. It is now called Synod's Historical Room.

In 1890 Rev. Walter A. Brooks and Rev. Joseph H. Dulles were appointed custodians of the treasures deposited in this historical room. Rev. H. C. Cameron, D D., resigned his position as Chairman of the Committee in favor of the present incumbent, and the Historical Committee was enrolled among the Permanent Committees.

In 1891 the Custodians made their first report of valuable materials already received.

It is now in order to review the report of 1887, notice some changes and make some corrections for that report; the most elaborate of all was only tentative and not exhaustive.

The records of Synod and the records of the Presbytery of Monmouth are no longer in the vaults of the bank of Hightstown, but in Synod's Historical Room at Princeton.

The Presbytery of Elizabeth has secured its own fire-proof safe, and thus safely keeps its records in the care of its Stated Clerk at Pluckamin and sets an example worthy of imitation by other Presbyteries.

No additional information has been received from existing Presbyteries, except that the Stated Clerk of Elizabeth would correct the statement of 1887, II, 2, by the insertion of additional matter, so that it shall read, "The Presbytery of Elizabethtown was constituted October 21st, 1824, and continued until 1870, when, with a part of the dissolved Presbytery of Passaic and five churches from the Presbytery of Newark, with two churches from the dissolved Presbytery of Raritan (Clinton and Clarksville), and one from the

Fourth Presbytery of Philadelphia (Bethlehem), it became the Presbytery of Elizabeth."

The Stated Clerk of Morris and Orange Presbytery claims to have in his possession a copy of the Minutes of the Presbytery of Newark from 1836 to 1839, bound up in the first volume of the extinct Presbytery of Rockaway.

#### EXTINCT PRESBYTERIES.

Some important corrections must be made in the report of 1887, in regard to the so-called extinct Presbytery of New York and the Presbytery of Jersey, with new information respecting the extinct Presbytery of Morris County.

#### *Presbytery of New York.*

In regard to the records of the Presbytery of New York it was reported in 1887 that one volume was missing, making a hiatus of twelve years. A more careful examination enables your Committee to report that the volume supposed to be lost is found in the possession of the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Newark. From the organization of the Presbytery of New York, in 1738 to 1775, there must have been other records, which are lost or destroyed.

In the possession of the Presbytery of Newark are five volumes of records of the old New York Presbytery, and in the first of these volumes the first full date, on page 140, is June 20, 1775.

In this volume (called No. 1) the first page is numbered 139, and from the appearance of the book the inference is that 138 pages have been wantonly cut out with a knife. The last date in this book is June 10, 1777.

Volume II. extends from October 19th, 1779, to September 9th, 1788.

Volume III. extends from October 21st, 1788, to October 3d, 1793.

Volume IV. extends from October 11th, 1793, to October 20th, 1803.

Volume V. extends from April 24th, 1804, to December 5th, 1809.

Then follow, in the same Volume V., the Minutes of the Presbytery of Jersey, for three years, from April 24th, 1810, to February 16th, 1813. Careful comparison shows that between Volumes I. and II. there is an hiatus of about two years, from 1777 to 1779. We are reminded that at that period New Jersey was the tramping-ground of contending armies. After the surprise and capture of the Hessians at Trenton, by Washington, the battle of Princeton was fought early in 1777, and the date of the battle of Monmouth was June 28th, 1778. When the Presbytery met at Mendham, in October, 1776, only four ministers were present, while twenty-three were absent. At Morristown, in May, 1777, seven ministers were present and eighteen were absent. At Walkill, June 10th, 1777, the last recorded in that volume, four ministers were present, who

ordained and installed Mr. King and adjourned to meet at Newark Mountains in October. It is not strange if, during those two years of trouble and conflict, Presbytery sometimes failed to secure a quorum, or if it had a small meeting, it is not strange that the records are lost.

In 1809 the Presbytery of New York was divided. The larger part being in East Jersey, was called the Presbytery of Jersey, while the ministers and churches on the east side of the Hudson river were constituted as the new Presbytery of New York.

A significant fact in regard to the preponderance of the Jersey side is that upon request of the church, sanctioned by the Presbytery of New York, the Presbytery of Jersey, at its first meeting in Morristown, April 24th, 1810, did appoint supplies for fourteen Sabbaths, from May to September, to the pulpit of the vacant Brick Church in the city of New York.

#### *Presbytery of Jersey.*

The statement in 1887, III, 1, in regard to the disposal of records of the Presbytery of Jersey when it was dissolved November 2d, 1824, and divided into the two Presbyteries of Newark and Elizabethtown, must be corrected or more clearly explained.

Dr. Stearns, in his history of the First Presbyterian Church of Newark (page 299), says, "The property of the old Presbytery of Jersey was equally divided. The last two volumes of the records were assigned to the Presbytery of Elizabethtown, and the preceding volumes including besides those of the old Presbytery of New York, the first three years of the Presbytery of Jersey and running back to 1775, to that of Newark."

Correspondence and personal examination leads to the conclusion, as above stated, that the Presbytery of Newark holds *the original* minutes of the Presbytery of Jersey for its *first three years*, and that the Presbytery of Elizabeth holds the remaining *original* minutes of the Presbytery of Jersey; while the Presbytery of Newark has also in two volumes a transcript of the original, which Elizabeth holds. The approvals by Synod in different handwriting by different Moderators of Synod prove the original records. Thus conflicting and confusing statements may be explained.

#### *Presbytery of Morris County.*

An extinct Presbytery, not hitherto reported, is or was the Presbytery of Morris County.

Gillett's History, vol. 1, chap. XI, gives an incomplete narrative of this Presbytery. The *second* volume of its Minutes, extending from 1797 to 1819, is found in the possession of the Presbytery of Newark. The churches of Parsippany, Bloomfield and Caldwell, or their pastors, were in connection with the Presbytery of Morris County.

They had an incorporated Board of Trustees of a Society for the Promotion of Learning and Religion, who carried on a missionary and educational work, and in 1811 reported \$1,242 in the treasury. In the following years they made efforts to open, at Caldwell, a Literary and Theological School, for the instruction of pious youth for the gospel ministry, and for this purpose obtained the free use of the upper room of the Academy at Caldwell, where Rev. Stephen Grover was a prominent pastor. In 1815 the Caldwell Theological Institution reported hopeful prospects. The second volume contains so much of the early history of some churches of New Jersey that your Committee earnestly entreat other members of Synod to help them in searching for the now lost *first* volume of the records of the Presbytery of Morris County.

The Custodians have already reported the reception of the Minutes of the extinct Presbytery of Burlington, and a manuscript history of that Presbytery. Also, the reception of four volumes of the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City, which has been united with another congregation of the same name.

They have also received the records of the extinct churches of Howell, Atsion and Fairview, these three having been in the present territory of the Presbytery of Monmouth, but they were not organized by this Presbytery.

One hundred years ago the General Assembly made strenuous and persistent efforts to gather and preserve materials for the history of the Presbyterian Church.

Recently, among the papers of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, were found sketches of the history of six churches in South or West Jersey. These papers were printed in *The Presbyterian*, in June and July, 1892. They are important, because they were written by persons who lived a hundred years nearer to the events which they describe than we do, and they tell us some things new.

It is recorded in the Minutes of the General Assembly of 1801 that a history of the Presbytery of New Brunswick was laid upon the Assembly's table, and in 1804 that the history of the Presbytery of New York, then including the churches of East Jersey, was, in like manner, presented to the General Assembly. Where are the early histories of these two Presbyteries? If they could be found and added to the history of the churches in South Jersey, we should have a complete history of all the Presbyterian churches in New Jersey as they existed almost one hundred years ago. Again your Committee appeal to the members of Synod for help to discover these lost documents and to rescue them from their hiding place.

On July 26th of this year the churches of Bridgeton united in a grand celebration of the centennial anniversary of the laying of the corner stone of the old First Church. The proceedings and some of the addresses were fully reported in the *Bridgeton Pioneer*.



It is expected that they will be published in a more permanent form.

The records of the congregation of Absecon, but not the records of the Session, have been destroyed by fire.

That the materials of early history may be more accessible for reference and study your Committee call attention to the resolution which was adopted at the last session of Synod, viz.:

*Resolved*, That those who have control of historical documents, and especially the records of extinct churches and of extinct Presbyteries in New Jersey, be requested to deposit the same with the Custodians of Synod's Depository at Princeton."

All of which is respectfully submitted by

ALLEN H. BROWN,

October 19th, 1892.

*Chairman.*

NOTE.—This report was mailed in due season to the Stated Clerk, but, owing to the writer's illness, was missent and not received until after the adjournment of Synod. It is printed to preserve the facts for information and future reference.



## XIX.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

EBEN B. COBB, *Treasurer, in account with the Synod of  
New Jersey.*

## DR.

To balance from previous account, . . . . .	\$223 20
“ apportionments from twelve Presbyteries, . . .	670 00
“ receipts for advertising, . . . . .	25 00
“ sale of Minutes, . . . . .	95
	<hr/> \$919 15

## CR.

By janitor's bill, Long Branch, . . . . .	\$4 00
“ printing, . . . . .	247 55
“ letter files, . . . . .	3 25
“ postage and envelopes, . . . . .	12 20
“ binding Minutes, . . . . .	2 00
“ salary of Stated Clerk for the year ending Octo- ber 1st, 1892, . . . . .	100 00
“ sundry expenses, . . . . .	3 45
“ balance on hand September 30th, 1892, . . . .	546 70
	<hr/> \$919 15

EBEN B. COBB,  
*Treasurer.*

ELIZABETH, N. J., October 1st, 1892.

Examined and found correct.

JAS. P. DUSENBERRY,  
ROBERT M. HUNTING,  
JOHN C. CLYDE,  
GEO. M. TOMSON.

## XX.—STATISTICAL REPORTS.

I. THE PRESBYTERY OF CORISCO consists of twelve ministers, four of whom are natives of Africa, and ten churches, with fourteen hundred communicants, and has under its care five licentiates and seven students for the ministry.

At its annual meeting, in January, 1892, the Rev. John McMillan, M.D., was received from the Presbytery of Chicago, and Rev. W. S. Bannerman from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Candidate Ogula, of the Ogowe river, was licensed to preach the gospel.

HERMAN JACOT,  
*Stated Clerk.*

II. THE PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH has forty-four ministers, thirty-two churches, no licentiates, five candidates for the ministry under its care, and six others under the care of some of its sessions.

*Received from another denomination—*

April 19, 1892, Rev. William J. Henderson, from the Classis of Raritan.

*Received from another Presbytery—*

October 4, 1892, Rev. Chalmers Martin, from the Presbytery of Champlain.

*Ordained—*

June 21, 1892, Licentiate George A. Liggett, *sine titulo*.

*Installed—*

October 23, 1891, Rev. Nathaniel Nicolai, over the First German Church of Elizabeth.

*Dissolved pastoral relations—*

March 25, 1892, between Rev. Kneeland P. Ketcham, D.D., and the First Church of Plainfield.

June 14, 1892, between Rev. Nathaniel Nicolai and the First German Church of Elizabeth.

*Deposed and excommunicated—*

July 11, 1892, Nathaniel Nicolai, for dishonesty and forgery.

*Organized—*

April 3, 1892, the German Presbyterian Church of Maurers.

*Licentiate dismissed—*

- April 19, 1892, William E. Plumley, to the Presbytery of Westchester.  
 October 4, 1892, George E. Gillespie, to the Presbytery of Monmouth.

*Candidates received on examination—*

- October 4, 1892, John F. Dobbs.  
 October 5, 1892, Frank Lukens.

SAMUEL PARRY,  
*Stated Clerk.*

III. THE PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY consists of forty-four ministers and thirty-two churches, and has under its care three licentiate and seven candidates for the ministry.

*Ministers received—*

- October 4, 1892, Rev. Henry R. McClelland, Ph.D., from the Presbytery of Pittsburg.

*Licentiate received—*

- September 13, 1892, Robert H. P. Miles, from the Presbytery of New York.

*Candidates received under care of Presbytery—*

- November 3, 1891, Felix Steinman.  
 April 19, 1892, August Lange, from the Presbytery of New York.  
 June 7, 1892, Adolph C. Pape.  
 June 7, 1892, Robert H. Sharpe, from the Presbytery of Carlisle.  
 October 4, 1892, Frederick Hock.

*License conferred—*

- October 4, 1892, George Coulsen.

*Ordinations—*

- June 16, 1892, August Lange.  
 June 21, 1892, Robert H. Sharpe.

*Installations—*

- June 16, 1892, Rev. August Lange, as pastor of Carlstadt Church.  
 June 21, 1892, Rev. Robert H. Sharpe, as pastor of Newfoundland Church.

*Dissolution of pastoral relations—*

- November 10, 1891, between Rev. Louis Rymarski and the Carlstadt Church.  
 February 2, 1892, between Rev. Samuel Carlile, D.D., and the East Side Church of Paterson.  
 October 4, 1892, between Rev. Alexander McKelvey and the Second Church of Jersey City.

*Ministers dismissed—*

April 19, 1892, Rev. George H. Cleveland, to the Presbytery of Troy.

June 9, 1892, Rev. Samuel Carlile, D.D., to the Presbytery of Newton.

*Licentiate dismissed—*

March 1, 1892, Carl G. H. Ettlich, to the Presbytery of Westminster.

*Candidate dismissed—*

June 7, 1892, J. Frederick Fitscher, to the Presbytery of Utica.

*Churches organized—*

July 19, 1892, Dundee Church of Passaic.

September 22, 1892, Lakeview Church.

*Died—*

November 20, 1891, Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D.

EDWIN A. BULKLEY,  
*Stated Clerk.*

IV. THE PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH consists of fifty ministers and forty-eight churches, and has under its care three licentiates and five candidates for the ministry.

*Ministers received—*

December 15, 1891, Rev. George H. Bonsall, from the Newark Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

April 12, 1892, Rev. J. Beatty Howell, from the Presbytery of Ninas, Brazil.

*Licentiates received—*

April 12, 1892, Maitland Alexander, from the Presbytery of New York.

October 5, 1892, George E. Gillespie, from the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

*Candidate received—*

May 12, 1892, Walter A. Hitchcock, from the Presbytery of Baltimore.

*Licensures—*

April 13, 1892, Albert Reed and Charles E. Davis.

May 12, 1892, Walter A. Hitchcock.

*Ordinations—*

April 14, 1892, Maitland Alexander.

May 12, 1892, George B. Van Dyke.

*Pastoral relations dissolved—*

April 30, 1892, Rev. William P. Finney, and the churches of Cream Ridge and Plumstead.

May 1, 1892, Rev. F. L. Jones and the church of Delanco.

October 19, 1892, Rev. William McNichol and the churches of Jacksonville and Providence.

*Installations—*

December 15, 1892, Rev. George H. Bonsall, as pastor of the church of Keyport.

April 14, 1892, Rev. Maitland Alexander, as pastor of the church of Long Branch.

June 29, 1892, Rev. William P. Finney, as pastor of the church of Moorestown.

*Dismissions—*

April 12, 1892, Rev. L. F. Jones, to Presbytery of Alaska.

April 13, 1892, Rev. A. V. Bryan, to United Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Japan.

October 4, 1892, Rev. George B. Van Dyke, to the Presbytery of St. Lawrence.

October 4, 1892, Rev. Samuel Conn, D.D., to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

October 19, 1892, Rev. William McNichol, to the Presbytery of Truro, Nova Scotia.

*Deaths—*

March 12, 1892, Rev. E. J. Pierce.

April 29, 1892, Rev. John Hancock.

May 23, 1892, Rev. Benjamin T. Phillips.

BENJ. S. EVERITT,  
*Stated Clerk.*

V.—THE PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE consists of fifty-nine ministers and forty-three churches, and has under its care two chapels, one licentiate and eight candidates.

*Minister received from another Presbytery—*

April 12, 1892, Rev. Charles W. Wood, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn.

*Ministers received from other denominations—*

April 12, 1892, Rev. George H. Smyth, D.D., from the Classis of New York.

June 21, 1892, Rev. Andrew H. Sherman, from the North New Jersey Congregational Conference.

September 20, 1892, Rev. Franklin C. Jones, from the same Conference.

*Candidate received by certificate—*

June 21, 1892, Tillman S. Rush, from the Presbytery of Newton.

*Candidates received by examination—*

December 28, 1891, Thomas J. Lloyd, of Central Church, Orange.

September 20, 1892, Stephen Ward Righter, of Parsippany.

October 3, 1892, Frank Voorhees, of Pleasant Grove.

*License conferred—*

June 21, 1892, Tillman S. Rush.

*Installations—*

October 28, 1891, Rev. William J. Mewhinney, as pastor at Pleasant Grove.

November 11, 1891, Rev. Baker Smith, as pastor at Flanders.

*Licentiate dismissed—*

June 21, 1892, Sidney S. Conger, to the Presbytery of Boston.

*Ministers dismissed—*

January 19, 1892, Rev. William Hollinshed, to the Presbytery of Newton.

June 21, 1892, Rev. Thomas Heywood, to the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

*Pastoral relations dissolved—*

June 21, 1892, between Rev. Charles T. Anderson and the Church at Rockaway, to take effect July 3, 1892.

September 20, 1892, between Rev. William W. Halloway and the Church at Morris Plains, to take effect October 30, 1892.

*Church organized—*

January 27, 1892, Trinity Church of South Orange.

*Minister deceased—*

August 17, 1892, Rev. Nathaniel Conklin, at Madison, N. J., in the sixty-ninth year of his age.

WILLIAM F. WHITAKER,  
*Stated Clerk.*



VI. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK consists of fifty-two ministers and thirty-two churches, and has under its care three licentiates and thirteen candidates.

*Minister received—*

April 6, 1892, Rev. Frederick N. Rutan, from the Presbytery of New York.

*Minister enrolled—*

May 9, 1892, Rev. Immanuel M. Casanowicz.

*Ministers dismissed—*

April 6, 1892, Rev. Wm. A. Niles, D.D., to the Presbytery of Geneva.

October 1, 1892, Rev. Pleasant Hunter, Jr., to the Presbytery of St. Paul.

*Ordinations, sine titulo—*

June 1, 1892, Licentiate Fred W. Jackson, Jr.

June 16, 1892, Licentiate Geo. S. Berry.

*Pastoral relations dissolved—*

June 1, 1892, between the Rev. Richard S. Campbell, D.D., and the Central Church of Newark, to take effect July 1, 1892.

July 7, 1892, between the Rev. Pleasant Hunter, Jr., and the Second Church of Newark, to take effect October 1, 1892.

*Pastoral relations constituted—*

December 11, 1891, Rev. Isaac H. Polhemus with Few Smith Memorial Church, Newark.

April 25, 1892, Rev. Fred. N. Rutan with Grace Church, Montclair.

*Candidates received on examination—*

November 16, 1891, Edwin Fairley.

October 5, 1892, Karl C. T. Hock, Frederick Müller, Frederick Stobener.

*Licensures—*

April 6, 1892, Jos. F. Folsom, Edwin Fairley, Albert Pfaus.

June 1, 1892, John H. Jensen.

*Licentiates dismissed—*

April 6, 1892, Jos. F. Folsom, to Presbytery of Westchester.

May 9, 1892, Albert L. Mershon, to Presbytery of Lackawanna.

June 1, 1892, John H. Jensen, to South Classis of Long Island.

*Churches organized—*

October 30, 1891, Church at Roseland.

November 19, 1891, Few Smith Memorial Church, Newark.

February 15, 1892, Grace Church, Montclair.

JULIUS H. WOLFF,  
*Stated Clerk.*

VII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK consists of sixty-three ministers and thirty-four churches, and has under its care one licentiate and forty-three candidates.

*Ministers received from other Presbyteries—*

October 21, 1891, Rev. William H. Pumphrey, from the Presbytery of Neosho.

January 26, 1892, Rev. Frank B. Everitt, from the Presbytery of Kansas City.

April 22, 1892, Rev. William S. Voorhies, from the Presbytery of West Jersey.

*Minister received from another denomination—*

June 28, 1892, Rev. Samuel A. Harlow, from Essex Association, North, of the Congregational Church.

*Ministers dismissed to other Presbyteries—*

October 21, 1891, Rev. William S. Bannerman, to the Presbytery of Corisco.

December 28, 1891, Rev. Edward Scofield, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.

April 22, 1892, Rev. Frank L. Fraser, to the Presbytery of Red River.

April 22, 1892, Rev. William H. Pumphrey, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

April 24, 1892, Rev. Samuel J. Onque, to the Presbytery of McClelland.

October 4, 1892, Rev. S. Beattie Wylie, to the Presbytery of New Castle.

*Minister dismissed to another denomination—*

April 12, 1892, Rev. John Bodine Thompson, to the Reformed Classis of New Brunswick.

*Ordinations, sine titulo—*

April 22, 1892, S. Beattie Wylie.

April 24, 1892, Samuel J. Onque.

*Pastoral relations dissolved—*

October 4, 1892, Rev. William J. McKnight, with First Church, New Brunswick, to take effect October 9, 1892.

*Pastoral relations constituted—*

November 5, 1891, Rev. Samuel J. Milliken, with Titusville Church.

May 4, 1892, Rev. William S. Voorhies, with Trenton Second Church.

July 6, 1892, Rev. Samuel A. Harlow, with Trenton Fourth Church.

*Candidates received on certificate—*

April 22, 1892, Reynolds G. Carnahan, from Presbytery of Emporia.

October 4, 1892, J. M. Boyer, from Presbytery of Catawba.

*Candidates received on examination—*

April 22, 1892, William A. Byrd, Thomas McClatchey, Giacomo Maugeri, Francis Palmer, Gregory Avack Shirajian, Guy Allen Tawney, Benton H. Woodford, James Martin.

June 28, 1892, David Elliott Filson, Alfred Erickson.

*Licenses—*

April 22, 1892, Warren B. Dunham, Samuel J. Onque, Frederic Perkins, John A. Terhune.

*Candidates dismissed to other Presbyteries—*

June 8, 1892, Edmond W. Fitz Simmonds, to the Presbytery of Baltimore.

September 8, 1892, Paul F. G. Bettex, to Presbytery of Allegheny.

September 16, 1892, Hugh McNinch, to Presbytery of Omaha.

*Licentiate dismissed to other Presbyteries—*

April 12, 1892, Hugh Miller, to Presbytery of Des Moines.

April 12, 1892, Frederic Perkins, to Presbytery of Lackawanna.

September 8, 1892, Warren B. Dunham, to Presbytery of Indianapolis.

*Ministers deceased—*

January 12, 1892, Rev. James Stebbins, at Newark, N. J., in the seventy-eighth year of his age.

January 14, 1892, Rev. Charles A. Aiken, D.D., at Princeton, N. J., in the sixty-fifth year of his age.

June 14, 1892, Rev. Richard H. Richardson, D.D., at Bay Head, N. J., in the sixty-eighth year of his age.

A. L. ARMSTRONG,  
Stated Clerk.

VIII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON consists of thirty-five ministers and thirty-seven churches, and has under its care one licentiate and three candidates.

*Ministers received—*

- April 12, 1892, Rev. Philip P. Reese, from the Presbytery of East Florida.  
 April 12, 1892, Rev. William Hollinshed, from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.  
 April 13, 1892, Rev. William N. Todd, from the Classis of Paramus, Reformed Church of America.  
 October 5, 1892, Rev. Samuel Carlile, D.D., from the Presbytery of Jersey City.

*Minister dismissed—*

- October 4, 1892, Rev. Thornton A. Mills, Ph.D., to the Presbytery of Lackawanna.

*Pastoral relations dissolved—*

- April 12, 1892, between Rev. E. Morris Fergusson and the First Church of Phillipsburg, to take effect on May 25.  
 October 4, 1892, between Rev. Joseph C. Cromack and the First Church of Wantage.

*Pastoral relations constituted—*

- November 17, 1891, Rev. George H. S. Campbell, as pastor of the church of Danville.  
 April 27, 1892, Rev. William N. Todd, as pastor of the church of Yellow Frame.  
 May 26, 1892, Rev. Philip P. Reese, as pastor of the churches of Mansfield Second and Beattystown.

*Candidate dismissed—*

- April 13, 1892, Tillman S. Rush, to the care of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

*Minister deceased—*

- December 11, 1891, Rev. Alanson Austin Haines, at Hamburgh, N. J., in the sixty-second year of his age, and in the thirty-fourth year of his service as a gospel minister.

E. CLARKE CLINE,  
*Stated Clerk.*

IX. THE PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY consists of forty-five ministers, forty-eight churches, and has under its care two licentiates and seven candidates.

*Ministers received—*

- January 26, 1892, Rev. Edward Scofield, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.  
 April 19, 1892, Rev. Thomas W. Pulham, from the Presbytery of Newark  
 October 4, 1892, Rev. Thomas Thompson, from the Presbytery of Lackawanna.  
 October 11, 1892, Rev. Andrew J. Sullivan, Ph.D., D.D., from the Presbytery of New York.

*Ministers dismissed—*

- January 26, 1892, Rev. Charles H. Schwarzbach, to the Presbytery of Brooklyn.  
 April 19, 1892, Rev. Isaac W. Davenport, to the Congregational Association of New Jersey.  
 April 19, 1892, Rev. Albert Evans, to the Presbytery of Baltimore.  
 April 19, 1892, Rev. William S. Voorhies, to the Presbytery of New Brunswick.  
 September 27, 1892, Rev. Wm. Schmitz, to the Reformed (Dutch) Classis of Montgomery.

*Licentiate received—*

- April 19, 1892, Albert K. Staiger, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.  
 April 20, 1892, I. Mench Chambers, from the Presbytery of Lehigh.  
 May 19, 1892, George N. Macdonald, from the Presbytery of Redstone.

*Licentiate dismissed—*

- September 27, 1892, George N. Macdonald, to the Presbytery of Binghampton.

*Licensure—*

- October 4, 1892, Remi Justus Buttinghausen.

*Ordinations—*

- May 19, 1892, I. Mench Chambers.  
 June 28, 1892, Albert K. Staiger.  
 October 11, 1892, Remi Justus Buttinghausen.

*Installations—*

- February 2, 1892, Rev. Edward Scofield, as pastor of Cold Spring Church.  
 May 3, 1892, Rev. Thomas N. Pulham, as pastor of Fairfield Church.  
 May 19, 1892, Rev. I. Mench Chambers, as pastor of Merchantville Church.

June 28, 1892, Rev. Albert K. Staiger, as pastor of the German Church of Atlantic City.

October 4, 1892, Rev. Thomas Thompson, as pastor of the Elmer Church.

October 11, 1892, Rev. Remi Justus Buttinghausen, as pastor of Liberty Park Church, Camden.

*Pastoral relations dissolved—*

April 19, 1892, Rev. Albert Evans, with Camden Third Church.

April 19, 1892, Rev. Benj. P. Johnson, with Woodstown Church.

April 19, 1892, Rev. William S. Voorhies, with Elmer Church.

April 20, 1892, Rev. William Schmitz, with Greenwich Church.

September 27, 1892, Rev. Alfred J. Snyder, with Deerfield Church.

*Candidate received by certificate—*

June 28, 1892, Remi Justus Buttinghausen, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

*Candidates received on examination—*

September 27, 1892, Alfred W. Blizzard and Nelson B. Kline.

*Church organized—*

May 24, 1892, the Fourth Church of Bridgeton.

*Minister's name dropped from the roll—*

January 26, 1892, Rev. Charles A. Brewster, he having joined the Protestant Episcopal Church.

*Minister deceased—*

Rev. Franklin D. Harris, died February 23, 1892, in West Philadelphia, in the eightieth year of his age.

HENRY REEVES,  
*Stated Clerk.*





## STANDING RULES OF THE SYNOD.

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- I.—The Synod shall meet annually, on the third Tuesday of October, at 3 o'clock P.M., unless otherwise ordered.
- II.—The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, a Recording Clerk and a Treasurer.
- III.—The Moderator shall be elected annually, after calling the roll of the Presbyteries for nominations, when the Presbytery which has been longest without having a representative in the Moderator's chair shall be called first. The Clerks and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, unless otherwise ordered, and shall hold office during the pleasure of Synod.
- IV.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to cause a notice of the time and place of meeting to be published in the religious papers, most current in the Synod, at least three weeks prior to the time of meeting; to lay on the Moderator's table, at the opening of Synod, a printed docket of business; to preserve the proceedings of Synod in printed form; to file and preserve all important papers coming into the possession of Synod; to furnish certified copies of minutes to those properly entitled to them; to conduct the correspondence of Synod; to transmit to the General Assembly the Statistical Report and the duly certified printed Records of Synod; to send a printed copy of the minutes of each annual meeting of Synod to every Minister, to the Session of each vacant church, and to each Ruling Elder who attended that meeting; and to cause the copies that have been submitted to the General Assembly to be bound in volumes at suitable intervals. The Stated Clerk shall print an Appendix to the Minutes, which shall contain all the papers and reports presented to Synod that are of permanent value. But in preparing such materials for publication he shall be authorized to abridge the same, except where resolutions and recommendations have been adopted by Synod, and when otherwise ordered by Synod.
- V.—The Permanent Clerk shall prepare a roll of Synod before the opening. To enable him to do this, all members shall report themselves to him on arrival at the place of meeting. To him

reasons for absence or late attendance shall be given, and of him permission to leave shall be obtained. He shall be the Reading Clerk, call the roll, and otherwise assist the Stated Clerk as he may require; and he shall act as Stated Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

VI.—The Recording Clerk shall make the minutes of the proceedings of Synod from day to day, and deliver them to the Stated Clerk on the adjournment of Synod; and he shall act as Permanent Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

VII.—The compensation of the Stated Clerk shall be one hundred dollars per annum, that of the Permanent and Recording Clerks, thirty dollars respectively.

VIII.—The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Synod for contingent expenses, and render an itemized account at each annual meeting.

#### COMMITTEES.

IX.—The Committees of Synod shall be divided into three classes, viz. : Standing, Permanent and Special.

##### STANDING COMMITTEES.

The STANDING COMMITTEES, to be appointed by the Moderator at each annual meeting, shall be as follows :

1. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES, seven members—four Ministers, of whom one shall be the retiring Moderator, and three Ruling Elders.

2 JUDICIAL COMMITTEE, seven members—four Ministers and three Ruling Elders.

3. ON RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES, three members for each Presbytery—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

4. ON MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

5. ON NARRATIVE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

6. ON FINANCE, four members—two Ministers and two Ruling Elders, who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurers of the different funds; and arrange the apportionment of the amount required from each Presbytery for contingent expenses.

X.—The Committee of Arrangements shall consist of all the Presbyterian Pastors and one Ruling Elder from each church in the place where the Synod meets, together with the Stated Clerk of Synod, the Pastor of the church in which Synod meets to be chairman. They shall provide accommodations for the Synod; suggest hours of meeting and adjournment; arrange for public services, and the persons to conduct them, and provide for hearing representatives of the Boards.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

XI.—The Permanent Committees of the Synod shall be as follows:

1. ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS, eight members—one for each Home Presbytery.

2. ON FOREIGN MISSIONS, eighteen members—one Minister and one Ruling Elder for each Presbytery.

3. ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS, six members—four Ministers and two Ruling Elders.

4. ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK, seven members—four Ministers and three Ruling Elders.

5. ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

6. ON TEMPERANCE, nine members—one from each Home Presbytery, besides the chairman.

7. ON UNEMPLOYED MINISTERS AND VACANT CHURCHES, eight members—one from each Home Presbytery.

8. ON NECROLOGY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

9. ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE, eight members—one from each Home Presbytery.

10. ON WORK AMONG FOREIGN POPULATIONS, five members—three Ministers and two Ruling Elders.

XII.—The Permanent Committees shall each report to Synod annually, upon the matters assigned to them, and recommend suitable action to be taken by Synod in relation thereto.

- XIII.—The Necrological Committee shall present, at the annual meeting, brief obituary notices of all Ministers of Synod who have deceased during the Synodical year.
- XIV. — Each Presbytery belonging to the Synod shall send a written Narrative of the State of Religion within its bounds, to the Synod's Committee on Narrative, at least one week previous to the stated meeting of Synod.
- XV.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered at each stated meeting of the Synod, under the superintendence of the retiring Moderator, or the Minister presiding in his place, at such time and place as the Committee of Arrangements shall designate.
- XVI —The last two hours of the afternoon session, and the whole of the evening session of the second day of Synod's meeting, shall be devoted to the subject of Benevolence and Church Work. The Committee on Systematic Beneficence shall cooperate with the Committee of Arrangements in selecting topics and speakers for the occasion, and the said evening session shall be devoted exclusively to popular addresses.
- XVII.—All notices of, or calls for, meetings of Presbyteries or Committees, and all resolutions, shall be in writing and read by the Clerk.
- XVIII —The rules for Judicatories adopted by the General Assembly shall be the rules of the Synod, so far as they apply.
- XIX.—These rules may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote, but if notice of a proposed change has been given at a previous stated meeting, a majority may amend or repeal; and any one of these rules may be temporarily suspended by a majority vote.

# PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

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## Synodical Home Missions.

REV. JOHN DIXON, D.D.,	REV. JOSEPH M. MC NULTY, D.D.,
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## MODERATORS SINCE THE REUNION.

DATE.	PLACE OF MEETING.	MODERATOR.	PRESBYTERY.
June 21, 1870	Elizabeth, .	*Rev. Jona. F. Stearns, D.D., .	Newark.
Oct. 18, 1870	Morristown, .	*Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D., .	Jersey City.
Oct. 17, 1871	Bloomfield, .	Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., .	Morris & Orange.
Oct. 15, 1872	Trenton, . .	*Rev. Samuel Miller, D.D., .	Monmouth.
Oct. 21, 1873	Washington, .	Rev. J. H. McIlvaine, D.D., .	Newark.
Oct. 20, 1874	Camden, . .	*Rev. J. M. McDonald, D.D., .	New Brunswick.
Oct. 19, 1875	Orange, . . .	Rev. William C. Roberts, D.D., .	Elizabeth.
Oct. 17, 1876	Elizabeth, . .	Rev. Thomas McCauley, . . .	Newton.
Oct. 16, 1877	Newark, . . .	Rev. E. Kempshall, D.D., . . .	Elizabeth.
Oct. 15, 1878	Morristown, .	Rev. William Bannard, D.D., .	West Jersey.
Oct. 21, 1879	Trenton, . . .	Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D., .	New Brunswick.
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